

I Want A Hippopotamus For Christmas

(Hippo the Hero)

John Rox

C

I want a hippopotamus for Christmas,

G7 C#dim G7

A hippopotamus is all I want.

Don't want a doll, no dinky tinker toy,

D7

Am7

D7

G7

I want a hippopotamus to play with and enjoy.

C

I want a hippopotamus for Christmas,

G7 C#dim G7

I don't think Santa Claus will mind, do you?

He won't have to use our dirty chimney flue,

D7

Am7

D7

G7

Just bring him through the front door, that's the easy thing to do.

Chorus:

C9

C7

F

Dm7

Gm7

C9

F

I can see me now on Christmas morning creeping down the stairs,

Fm6

G7

C

Am7

Oh, what joy and what surprise when I open up my eyes

D

C

G#dim

D7

Dm7

Gdim

G7

To see my hippo he - ro standing there.

C

I want a hippopotamus for Christmas,

G7 C#dim G7

Only a hippopotamus will do.

No crocodiles or rhinoceroses,

D7

G7

I only like hippopotamuses

D7 G7 C F#dim Dm7 G7
And hippopotamuses like me too.

C
I want a hippopotamus for Christmas,

G7 C#dim G7
A hippopotamus is all I want.

Mom says a hippo would eat me up, but then

D7 Am7 D7 G7
Teacher says a hippo is a vegetarian.

C
I want a hippopotamus for Christmas,

G7 C#dim G7
The kind I saw last summer in the zoo.

We got a car with room for two in our two car garage,

D7 Am7 D7 G7
I'd feed him there and wash him there and give him his massage.

Chorus

C
I want a hippopotamus for Christmas,

G7 C#dim G7
Only a hippopotamus will do.

No kangaroos or duck-bill platypuses,

D7 G7
I only like hippopotamuses

D7 G7 C
And hippopotamuses like me too.

