

I Want a Hippopotamus for Christmas

Words and music by John Rox. Performed by Gayla Peevey - 1953

G
I want a hippopotamus for Christmas

D
Only a hippopotamus will do...

D7
Don't want a doll, no dinky Tinker Toy

A **D7**
I want a hippopotamus to play with and enjoy.

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

D7
He won't have to use our dirty chimney flue

A
Just bring him through the front door,

D7
that's the easy thing to do...

G7 **C**
I can see me now on Christmas morning,

G7 **C**
creeping down the stairs.

D7
Oh what joy and what surprise

G
when I open up my eyes

A7 **D** **D7**
to see a hippo hero standing there.

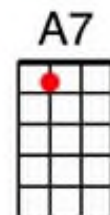
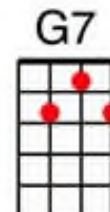
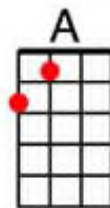
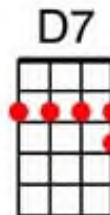
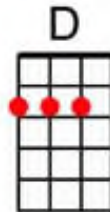
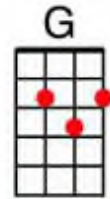
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D7
No crocodiles, no rhinoceroses

A **D**
I only like hippopotamuses

A **D7** **G**
And hippopotamuses like me too!



G(3), G(3), G(3), D(3)

D7

Mom says the hippo would eat me up, but then

A

D7

Teacher says a hippo is a vegetarian.

G(3), G(3), G(3), D(3)

D7

There's lots of room for him in our two-car garage

A

I'd feed him there and wash him there

D7

and give him his massage.

G7

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