

# I Want a Hippopotamus for Christmas

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I want a hippopotamus for Christmas  
Only a hippopotamus will do  
Don't want a doll  
No dinky tinker toy  
I want a hippopotamus to play with and enjoy

I want a hippopotamus for Christmas  
I don't think Santa Claus will mind do you  
He won't have to use  
A dirty chimney flue  
Just bring him through the front door  
That's the easy thing to do

I can see me now on Christmas morning  
Creeping down the stairs  
Oh what joy and what surprise  
When I open up my eyes  
To see a hippo hero standing there

I want a hippopotamus for Christmas  
Only a hippopotamus will do  
No crocodiles  
No rhinoceroses  
I only like hippopotamuses  
And hippopotamuses like me too

Mom says a hippo would eat me up but then  
Teacher says a hippo is a vegetarian

There's lots of room for him  
In our two car garage  
I'd feed him there  
And wash him there  
And give him his massage

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