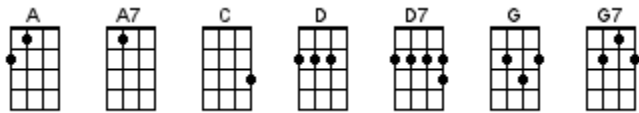


I Want A Hippopotamus For Christmas

John Rox 1953



INTRO: / 1 2 3 4 / [G] / [G]

I [G] want a hippopotamus for Christmas
[G] Only a hippopotamus will [D] do
[D7] Don't want a doll, no dinky Tinker Toy
I [A]↓ want a hippo-[A]↓potamus
To [A]↓ play with [A]↓ and en-[D7]↓joy

I [G] want a hippopotamus for Christmas
I [G] don't think Santa Claus will mind, do [D] you?
He [D7] won't have to use, our dirty chimney flue
Just [A]↓ bring him through the [A]↓ front door
That's the [A]↓ easy [A]↓ thing to [D7]↓ do

I can [G7] see me now on [C] Christmas morning
[G7] Creeping down the [C] stairs
Oh what [D7] joy and what surprise when I [G] open up my eyes
To see a [A7] hippo hero [D] standing [D7] there

I [G] want a hippopotamus for Christmas
[G] Only a hippopotamus will [D] do
[D7] No crocodiles, no rhinoceroses
[A] I only like [A]↓ hippopota-[D]↓muses
And [A] hippopota-[D7]muses like me [G] too [D7]

KAZOOS:

I [G] want a hippopotamus for Christmas
[G] Only a hippopotamus will [D] do
[D7] Mom says the hippo, would eat me up but then
[A]↓ Teacher says a [A]↓ hippo is a [A]↓ vegetari-[D7]↓an

KAZOOS:

I [G] want a hippopotamus for Christmas
[G] Only a hippopotamus will [D] do

There's [D7] lots of room for him, in our two-car garage
I'd [A]↓ feed him there and [A]↓ wash him there
And [A]↓ give him [A]↓ his mas-[D7]↓sage

I can [G7] see me now on [C] Christmas morning
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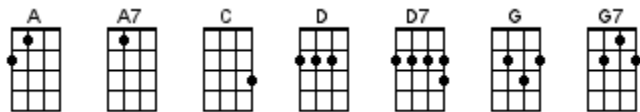
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[G] Only a hippopotamus will **[D]** do

[D7] No crocodiles, or rhinoceros-se-ses

[A] I only like **[A]**↓ hippopota-**[D7]**↓mu-se-ses

And **[A]** hippopota-**[D7]**muses like me **[G]** too! **[G]**↓**[D7]**↓**[G]**↓



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