



I Want A Hippopotamus For Christmas

(Gayla Peevey)

G

I want a hippopotamus for Christmas,

D

Only a hippopotamus will do

D7

I don't want a doll, no dinky Tinker Toy

A

D7

I want a hippopotamus to play with and enjoy

G

I want a hippopotamus for Christmas,

D

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

D7

He won't have to use our dirty chimney flue

A

D7

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

G7

C

G7

C

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

D7

G

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

A7

D

D7

To see a hippo hero standing there.

G

I want a hippopotamus for Christmas,

D

Only a hippopotamus will do

D7

No crocodiles, no rhinoceroses

A

D

I only like hippopotamuses

A

D7

G

And hippopotamuses like me too

G G G D

D

Mom says the hippo would eat me up, but then

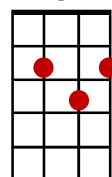
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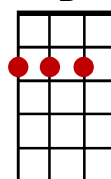
Teacher says a hippo is a vegetarian

G G G D

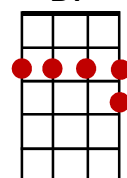
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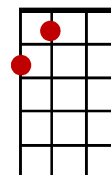
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Cont'd



I Want A Hippopotamus For Christmas (Cont'd)

D7

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

A

D7

I'd feed him there and wash him there and give him his massage

G7

C

G7

C

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

D7

G

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

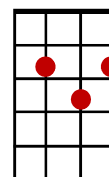
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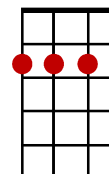
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To see a hippo hero standing there [Slow down]

G



D



[Slowly speed up this verse]

G

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No crocodiles or rhinoceroses

A

D7

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A

D7

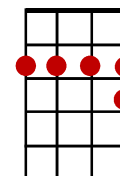
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[Pause] And hippopotamusses like me too

D7



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