I Want A Hippopotamus For Christmas

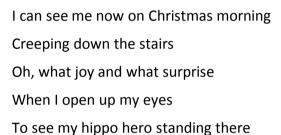
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Only a hippopotamus will do

I don't want a doll, no dinky Tinkertoy

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 our dirty chimney flue
Just bring him through the front door
That's the easy thing to do



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Only a hippopotamus will do
No crocodiles, no rhinoceroseses
I only like hippopotamuseses
And hippopotamuses like me too

I want a hippopotamus for Christmas

A hippopotamus is all I want

Mom says the hippo would eat me up

But then teacher says a hippo is a vegetarian

I want a hippopotamus for Christmas

The kind I saw this summer at the zoo

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



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 my hippo hero standing there

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I Want a Hippopotamus for Christmas with lyrics