

I WANT A HIPPOPOTAMUS FOR CHRISTMAS

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Singing note: D

I **[G]** want a hippopotamus for Christmas, only a hippopotamus will **[D]** do

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

I **[A]** want a hippopotamus to play with and en-**[D7]**joy

I **[G]** want a hippopotamus for Christmas

I 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 front door,

That's the easy 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

Only a hippopotamus will **[D]** do

[D7] No crocodiles, no rhinoceroses

[A] I only like hippopota-**[D]**muses

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

[G] / **[G]** / **[G]** / **[D]** / (first 2 lines of previous verse)

[D7] Mom says the hippo would eat me up, but then

[A] Teacher says a hippo is a vegetari-**[D7]**an

[G] / **[G]** / **[G]** / **[D]** / (same as above)

There's **[D7]** lots of room for him in our two-car garage

I'd **[A]** feed him there and wash him there and give him his mas-

[D7]sage

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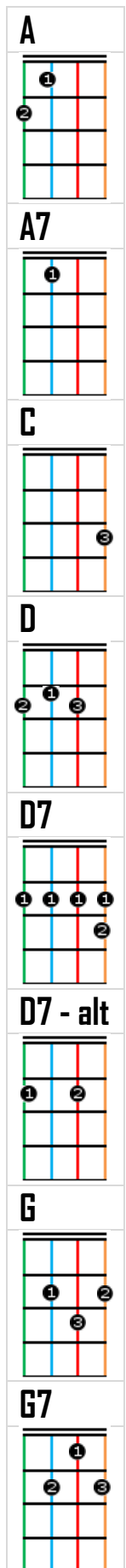
Only a hippopotamus will **[D]** do

[D7] No crocodiles or rhinoceros-se-ses

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

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

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