

## **I want a Hippopotamus for Christmas**

I want a hippopotamus for Christmas, Only a hippopotamus will do  
I don't want a dog, 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 a 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 the hippo would eat me up, but then  
Teacher says a hippo is a vegetarian

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