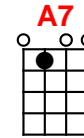
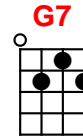
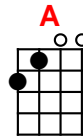
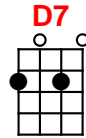
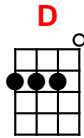
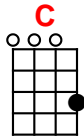
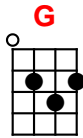


# I Want a Hippopotamus for Christmas

John Rox; a big hit in 1953



I **[G]** want a hippo**[C]**potamus for **[G]** Christmas. Only a hippopotamus will **[D]** do  
 Don't want a **[D7]** doll, no dinky Tinker Toy  
 I **[A]** want a hippopotamus to **[D]** play **[D7]** with and enjoy

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

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

I **[G]** want a hippo**[C]**potamus for **[G]** Christmas. Only a hippopotamus will **[D]** do  
 There's **[D]** lots of room for him in our two-car garage  
 I'd **[A]** feed him there and wash him there and **[D7]** give him his massage

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**[G7]** creeping down the **[C]** stairs  
 Oh, what **[D7]** joy and what surprise, when I **[G]** open up my eyes  
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 Oh, what **[D7]** joy and what surprise, when I **[G]** open up my eyes  
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I **[G]** want a hippo**[C]**potamus for **[G]** Christmas - Only a hippopotamus will **[D]** do  
**[D7]** No crocodiles or rhinoceroses  
**[A7]** I only like **[D]** hippopota- **[D7]** muses -  
 And **[A]** hippopota-**[D]** muses like me **[G]** too! **[C] [G] [C] [G] [C] [G]**