I Want A Hippopotamus for Christmas

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I want a hippopotamus for Christmas 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

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

I want a hippopotamus for Christmas Only a hippopotamus will do No crocodiles, or 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

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