

# I Want a Hippopotamus for Christmas (Hippo the Hero) - Gayla Peevey Lyrics

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## "I Want a Hippopotamus for Christmas (Hippo the Hero)"

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 rhinoceroses  
I only like hippopotamuses  
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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