

## Shirley Temple

### "I Want A Hippopotamus For Christmas"

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I want a hippopotamus for Christmas,  
only a hippopotamus will do  
Don't want a doll,  
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 fleu  
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 and see a hippo hero  
standing there

I want a hippopotamus for Christmas,  
only a hippopotamus will do  
No crocodiles, no rhinosorusses,  
I only like hippopotamusses  
and hippopotamusses like me too

Mom says the hippo would eat me up but then,  
teacher says the hippo is a vegetarian

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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