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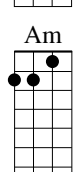
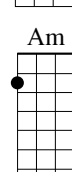
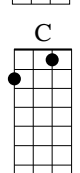
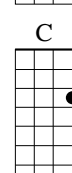
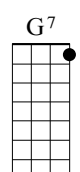
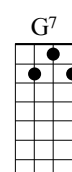
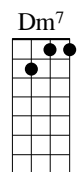
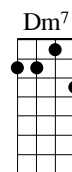
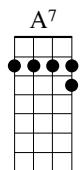
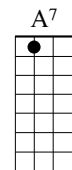
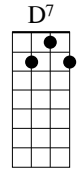
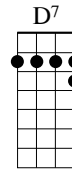
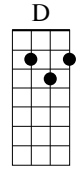
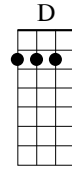
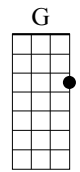
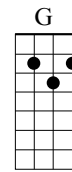
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I want a hippopotamus for Christmas,
D⁷
Only a hippopotamus will do.

Don't want a doll, no dinky Tinker Toy
A⁷ D⁷
I want a hippopotamus to play with and enjoy
G
I want a hippopotamus for Christmas
D⁷
I don't think Santa Claus will mind, do you?

He won't have to use our dirty chimney flue
A⁷
Just bring him through the front door,
D⁷
That's the easy thing to do

D^{m7} G⁷ C A^m
I can see me now on Christmas morning,
D^{m7} G⁷ C
Creeping down the stairs
D⁷
Oh what joy and what surprise
G
when I open up my eyes
A⁷ D⁷
To see a hippo hero standing there
G
I want a hippopotamus for Christmas
D⁷
Only a hippopotamus will do

No crocodiles, no rhinoceroses
A⁷ D⁷
I only like hippopotamuses
A⁷ D⁷ G
And hippopotamuses like me too



I Want a Hippopotamus For Christmas (cont'd.)

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D⁷
Only a hippopotamus will do.

Mom says the hippo would eat me up, but then
A⁷ D⁷
Teacher says a hippo is a vegetarian
G
I want a hippopotamus for Christmas
D⁷
Only a hippopotamus will do.

There's lots of room for him in our two-car garage
A⁷
I'd feed him there and wash him there
D⁷
And give him his massage
D^{m7} G⁷ C A^m
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D^{m7} G⁷ C
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