

# I Want a Hippopotamus for Christmas - John Rox Arr. Pete McCarty

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[D] you? He [D7] won't have to use our dirty chimney flue Just [A] bring him  
through the front door, that's the [D7] easy thing to do

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[D7] Mom says the hippo would eat me up, but then [A] Teacher says a hippo is a  
[D7] vegetarian!

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[D7] There's lots of room for him in our two-car garage  
[A] I'd feed him there and wash him there and [D7] give him his massage

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### BARI TUNING

