

The Hippopotamus Song

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J=180

S. G *p* G/B C G/D Em A⁷ D
Ooh Ooh

A. *p* Ooh Ooh

T. *p* Ooh Ooh

B. *f*

1. A bold Hip-po - pot-a-mus was stand-ing one day, on the banks of the cool Sha - li - mar. He
2. The fair Hip-po - pot-a-ma, he aimed to en - tice, from her seat on the hill-top a - bove. As
3. Now more Hip-po - pot-a-mi be - gan to con - vene, on the banks of that riv - er so wide. I

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S. G G/B C G/B Em A⁷ D
Oo Oo A Like They

A. Oo Oo A Like They

T. Oo by the light of the eve - ning star. A - came tip - toe - ing down to her love. Like They
that en - sued by the Shal - li - mar's side. They

B. *p*
gazed at the bot-tom as it peace-ful - ly lay, by the light of the eve - ning star. A -
she had - n't got a Ma to give her ad - vice, came tip - toe - ing down to her love. Like They
won - der now what am I to say of the scene, that en - sued by the Shal - li - mar's side. They

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S. Am Em F/A E Dm⁷ E⁷ Am
way on the hill - top sat comb - ing her hair, his fair Hip - po - pot - a - mine maid. The
thun - der, the for - est re - ech - oed the sound, of the song that they sang as they met. His
dived all at once with an ear split - ting splosh, then rose to the sur - face a - gain. A

A. way on the hill - top sat comb - ing her hair, his fair Hip - po - pot - a - mine maid. The
thun - der, the for - est re - ech - oed the sound, of the song that they sang as they met. His
dived all at once with an ear split - ting splosh, then rose to the sur - face a - gain. A

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dived all at once with an ear split - ting splosh, then rose to the sur - face a - gain. A

B. way on the hill - top sat comb - ing her hair, his fair Hip - po - pot - a - mine maid. The
thun - der, the for - est re - ech - oed the sound, of the song that they sang as they met. His
dived all at once with an ear split - ting splosh, then rose to the sur - face a - gain. A

30 Em⁷ A⁷ D Em⁷ A⁷ D E A⁷ D⁷

S. Hip - po - pot - a - mus was no ig - no - ra - mus and sang her this sweet ser - e - nade.
in - am - o - ra - ta ad - just - ed her gar - ter and lift - ed her voice in du - et.
reg - u - lar arm - y of Hip - po - po - a - mi, all sing - ing this haunt-ing re - frain.

A.

T. Hip - po - pot - a - mus was no ig - no - ra - mus and sang her this sweet ser - e - nade.
in - am - o - ra - ta ad - just - ed her gar - ter and lift - ed her voice in du - et.
reg - u - lar arm - y of Hip - po - po - a - mi, all sing - ing this haunt-ing re - frain.

B. Hip - po - pot - a - mus was no ig - no - ra - mus and sang her this sweet ser - e - nade. Oh!
in - am - o - ra - ta ad - just - ed her gar - ter and lift - ed her voice in du - et. Oh!
reg - u - lar arm - y of Hip - po - pot - a - mi, all sing - ing this haunt-ing re - frain. Oh!

Refrain G G/B Am D⁷ G A⁷ D⁷ G G/B

38 S. **p** Mud! Mud! Glor - i - ous mud! Noth-ing quite like it for cool-ing the blood. Fol-low me, fol-low,-

A.

T. **p** Mud! Mud! Glor - i - ous mud! Noth-ing quite like it for cool-ing the blood. So **p** Fol-follow me, fol-low,-

B.

48 Am E⁷ Am C G/B A⁷ D⁷ G

S. down to the hol - low, and there let us wal - low in glor - - - i - ous mud,
p

A.

T. down to the hol - low, and there let us wal - low in glor - - - i - ous mud,
f

B.

55 G/D C rit. D⁷ [3.] Am E Am D⁷ **rall.** G

S. glor -- i - ous, glor - i - ous **ff** mud!

A.

T. glor -- i - ous, glor - i - ous **ff** mud!

B. mud, glor - i - ous mud! glor -- i - ous, glor - i - ous **ff** mud!