

[G] /// [Em] /// [Am7] /// [D7] ///

A [G] bold hippopotamus was [C] standing one [B7] day
On the [Em] banks of the [A7] cool [D7] Shalimar.
He [G] gazed at the bottom as it [C] peacefully [B7] lay
By the [Em] light of the [A7] evening [D] star.

A-[Am] way on a [Em] hilltop sat [Am] combing her [Em] hair,
His [F] fair hippo-[E7]-potamine [Am] maid.
The [A7] hippo-[D]-tamus was [A7] no igno-[D]-ramus
And [Am] sang her this [Am7] sweet sere-[D]-nade... [D7]

Chorus

[G] Mud, [Em] mud, [Am7] glorious [D7] mud,
[G] Nothing quite [Em] like it for [A7] cooling the [D7] blood.
So [G] follow me, follow, [C] down to the [Am] hollow,
And [C] there let us [G] wallow in [Am] glor-[D7]-ious [G] mud.

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The [G] fair hippopotama he [C] aimed to en-[B7]-tice
From her [Em] seat on the [A7] hilltop a-[D7]-bove.
As [G] she hadn't got a ma to [C] give her ad-[B7]-vice
Came [Em] tiptoeing [A7] down to her [D] love.

Like [Am] thunder the [Em] forest re-[Am]-echoed the [Em] sound
Of the [F] song that they [E7] sang as they [Am] met.
His [A7] Inamo-[D]-rata ad-[A7]-justed her [D] garter
And [Am] lifted her [Am7] voice in du-[D]-et. [D7]

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Now [G] more hippopotami be-[C]-gan to con-[B7]-vene
On the [Em] banks of the [A7] river so [D7] wide.
I [G] wonder now what am I to [C] make of the [B7] scene
That en-[Em]-sued by the [A7] Shalimar [D] side.

They [Am] dived all at [Em] once,
With an [Am] ear-splitting [Em] splosh
Then [F] rose to the [E7] surface a-[Am]-gain.
A [A7] regular [D] army of [A7] hippopo-[D]-tami
All [Am] singing this [Am7] haunting re-[D]-frain...[D7]

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