



# SINKABLE

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## BOOK CLUB DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1) Before reading *SINKABLE*, how many shipwrecks would you have guessed there were in the world? Did the answer (3 million) surprise you?
- 2) Many people at *SINKABLE* events recall their own favorite wreck—one they heard about growing up, or lived near, or saw a film about. Do you have one? What is it?
- 3) Compared to other wrecks, why do you think the *Titanic* became so famous?
- 4) Look at the three diagrams for Charles Smith's plan (page 77), Doug Woolley's plan (page 131), and Jack Grimm's expedition (page 201). Which was your favorite, and which had the best chance of success?
- 5) Bob Ballard found the *Titanic* in 1985. What advantages did Ballard have over the other men who spent years looking for the wreck site?
- 6) Did Doug Woolley fail? Did he succeed? How do you judge the way he persevered throughout his life?
- 7) If a *Titanic* replica ever gets built and sails again (a big if!), would you take a cruise on it?

SELECT PHOTOS



Doug Woolley in 1968



Doug Woolley in 2020



Doug Woolley's London apartment