

## The Unsinkable Gus Davis

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Cool tones of rippling waves and weathered wood contrast with patches of orange and pink in the splashy illustrations of this story about working together and never giving up. Gus wants to swim and refuses to accept his best friend Bean's assertion that "bulldogs can't swim." He remains undaunted through multiple attempts—and rescues from Bean. A little ingenuity helps Gus accomplish his goal while readers glean a subtle message on water safety.

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