

# CryptoParty!!

Here are some notes to help you along the way.

## 1 Installing Gnu Privacy Guard (GPG)

```
sudo apt-get install gnupg2 gnupg-agent pinentry-gtk2
```

## 2 Installing a friendly GUI for GPG

```
sudo apt-get install gpa
```

## 3 Generate a key

```
gpg2 --full-gen-key or gpg2 --gen-key
```

### Recommended options

- Encryption/Signing type = RSA and RSA
- RSA key size = 2048 (“4096 gives us almost nothing, while costing us quite a lot”)
- Key expiration date = 1y (One year. You can easily extend this later.)
- You can also add new email addresses to the same key later
- Leave the comment blank
- Choose a **secure** password

## 4 GPG commands

**Encrypt a file:** `gpg2 --encrypt --armor secretstuff.txt`

**Decrypt a file:** `gpg2 --decrypt secretstuff.txt`

**Copy your privatekey:** `gpg2 --export-secret-keys --armor <email> > privkey.asc`

**Copy your publickey:** `gpg2 --armor --output public.key --export <email>`

**List publickeys:** `gpg2 --list-keys`

**List privatekeys:** `gpg2 --list-secret-keys`

## 5 More fun places to go

**Send encrypted chat messages from your phone**

<https://whispersystems.org/>

**Encrypt your text messages**

<https://smssecure.org/>

**Encrypt a folder on your Linux computer**

<https://github.com/vgough/encfs/>

**Use HTTPS by default where available**

<https://www.eff.org/Https-everywhere/>

**Get a free signed SSL certificate**

<https://letsencrypt.org/>

**Manage your passwords with gpg and git**

<https://www.passwordstore.org/>