

# C++ Project: Password Manager - Complete Guide

## Password Manager - Full Project Guide

### Project Goal

Create a command-line Password Manager using C++, which allows you to:

- Add new passwords
- View saved passwords
- Search passwords
- Save all credentials in a local file

### Step 1: Project Setup

Requirements:

- C++ Compiler (g++)
- Git
- Terminal
- GitHub Account

Create Project Folder:

```
cd ~/Desktop  
mkdir PasswordManager  
cd PasswordManager
```

Create Main Code File:

```
touch main.cpp  
open -e main.cpp
```

### Step 2: Write Core C++ Code (main.cpp)

Includes functions:

- addPassword() to save new passwords
- viewPasswords() to read and display all entries
- searchPassword() to search by site name
- main() contains the menu loop

Use standard C++ libraries like iostream, fstream, and string.

### Step 3: Compile & Run the Code

Compile:

```
g++ main.cpp -o passwordmanager
```

Run:

```
./passwordmanager
```

### Step 4: Create .gitignore

```
touch .gitignore  
open -e .gitignore  
Add: passwords.txt
```

### Step 5: Upload to GitHub

```
git init  
git add .  
git commit -m "Initial commit"
```

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```
git remote add origin https://github.com/yourusername/PasswordManager.git  
git branch -M main  
git push -u origin main
```

Step 6: Add README.md

```
touch README.md  
open -e README.md  
Paste README content  
git add README.md  
git commit -m "Add README"  
git push
```

What You Learned

- File I/O in C++
- Menu-driven programs
- String manipulation
- Git + GitHub basics
- Markdown formatting

Future Ideas

- Add encryption to passwords
- Add login system
- Build GUI with Qt