

## Overall Structure

Your app will have two main sections:

1. **Embed Mode** – Where the user hides an encrypted message inside an image.
2. **Extract Mode** – Where the user provides a stego-image and a key to retrieve the hidden message.

Each mode has its own flow but shares common features like image upload and key input.

## User Interface Components

### 1. Home/Welcome Screen

- App title (e.g., “*StegoCrypt*” or “*Unveil GUI*”).
- Brief description: “Encrypt and hide messages inside images using steganography.”
- Two big buttons:
  - “Hide a Message”
  - “Reveal a Message”

### 2. Embed Mode (Hide a Message)

#### Image Upload Section

- Upload button to select an image from your device.
- Accepted formats: .png, .jpg, .webp.
- On upload:
  - Show a small preview of the image.
  - Display image metadata: resolution, format, color mode.
  - Check image size to make sure it’s large enough for embedding.
  - If not, display an error.

### **Message Input Section**

- Option 1: Textbox where user can type a message directly.
- Option 2: File upload button for a .txt file.
- Optionally display the first few lines if it's a large file.
- Validation:
  - Non-empty message.
  - Max size based on the image's pixel capacity.

### **Encryption Key Section**

- Text field to enter a numeric key.
- Tooltip: "This key is used to encrypt and decrypt your message. Keep it safe!"
- Option to generate a random key and display it.
- Option to export/save the key as a .txt file.

### **Encrypt & Embed Button**

- When clicked:
  - Encrypt the message using your Caesar shift logic.
  - Convert encrypted text to binary.
  - Embed it into the image using your LSB algorithm.
  - Show progress bar or spinner during processing.

### **Output Section**

- Display preview of the modified image (stego-image).
- Show confirmation message: "Your message has been securely embedded."
- Provide a download button to save the stego-image locally.
- Optional: show how many bits were used, success/failure logs.

### 3. Extract Mode (Reveal a Message)

#### *Stego-Image Upload Section*

- Upload button for a previously saved stego-image.
- Image is displayed in a preview window.
- You validate that it's an acceptable format and compatible size.

#### *Decryption Key Input*

- Field for user to enter the numeric key they were originally given.
- Optional: Upload a key file.
- Validate that the key is a valid integer and within range.

#### *Extraction & Decryption*

- Button: “Reveal Hidden Message”
- What happens under the hood:
  - Your tool reads the LSB bits from the image.
  - It decodes the binary stream into text.
  - It decrypts the text using the provided key.
  - Message is shown in a textbox (scrollable).
- Error messages shown if:
  - No message was found.
  - The key is wrong or leads to garbage output.
  - The image wasn't created using this tool.

### **Optional Security Features**

- **Checksum or Signature:** Embed a hidden “signature” so your program knows whether an image was tampered with or not created by your app.
- **Error Handling Popups:** Modal windows for bad uploads, incorrect keys, corrupted images.
- **Logs Panel:** Scrollable text area showing what happened behind the scenes (useful for developers or debugging).

## Settings / Extras

- **Dark mode toggle**
- **Export logs**
- **Help/About section**
- **Credits / GitHub link / Documentation**

## Test Cases to Prepare For

- Large messages that almost fill the image's capacity.
- Incorrect image format (e.g., BMP, TIFF).
- Non-RGB images (grayscale, CMYK).
- Corrupted or tampered stego-images.
- Users uploading a message and forgetting to input a key.
- Users trying to decrypt with the wrong key.