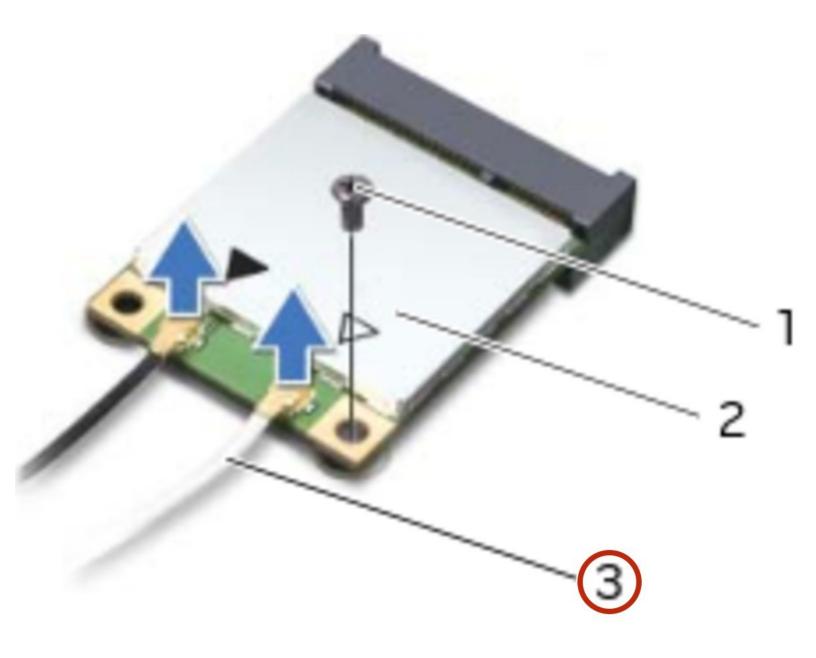


# Dell Alienware 14 Wireless Mini-Card Replacement

Follow this guide to remove and replace the wireless card for the Dell Alienware 14.

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## **INTRODUCTION**

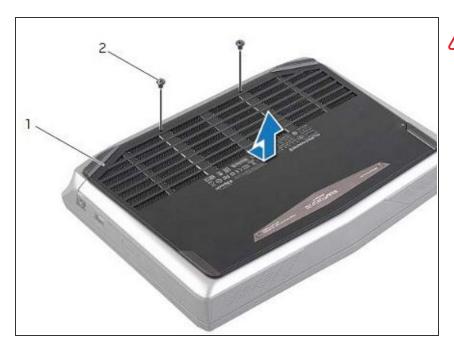
in this guide, we will be showing you how to remove and replace the Wireless Mini-Card.



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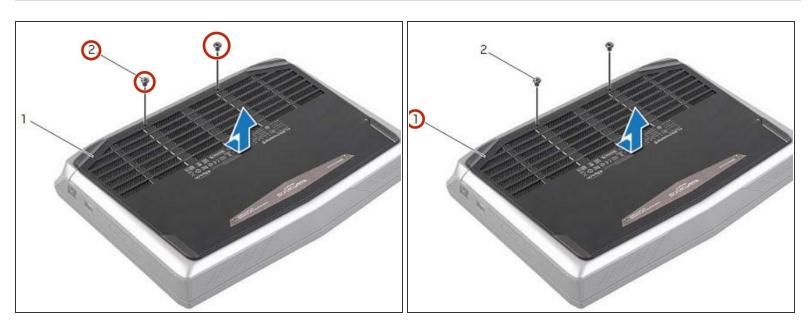
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#### Step 1 — Close the Display



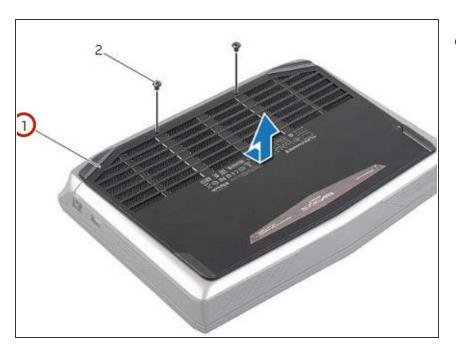
- WARNING: Before working inside your computer, read the safety information that shipped with your computer and follow the steps in <a href="Before You Begin">Before You Begin</a>. After working inside your computer, follow the instructions in <a href="#">"After Working Inside Your Computer"</a>.
  - Close the display, and turn the computer over.

#### Step 2 — Remove the Screws



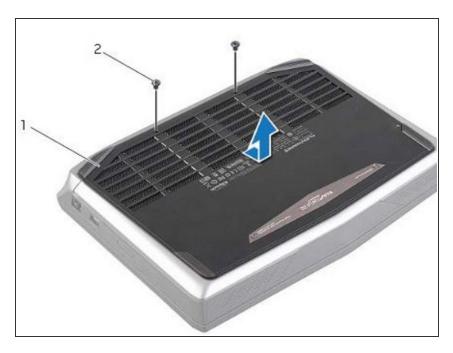
Remove the screws that secure the base cover to the computer base.

## Step 3 — Slide and Lift the Base Cover



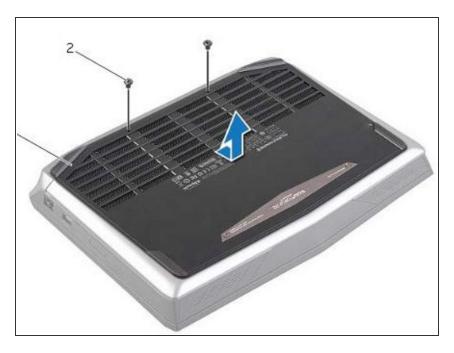
 Slide and lift the base cover off the computer base.

## Step 4 — Align the Tabs



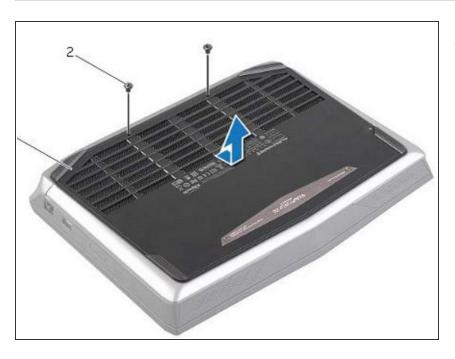
 Align the tabs on the NEW base cover with the slots on the computer base and slide the base cover into place.

## Step 5 — Replace the Screws



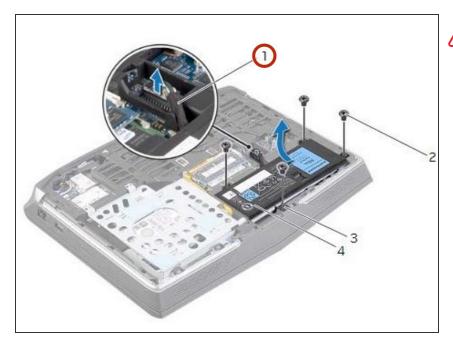
 Replace the screws that secure the base cover to the computer base.

## **Step 6** — Turn the Computer Over



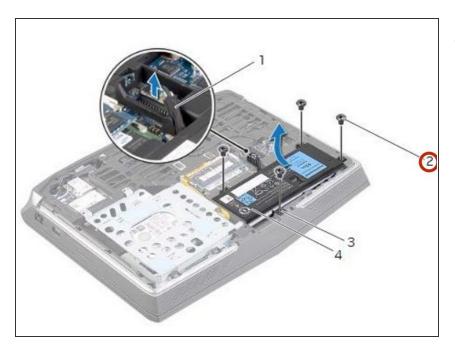
 Turn the computer over and open the display.

#### Step 7 — Disconnecting the Battery Cable



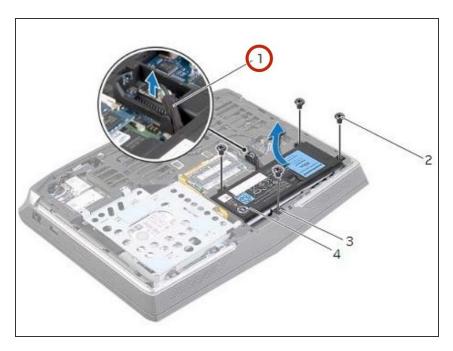
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  - Disconnect the battery cable from the system-board connector.

#### Step 8 — Remove the Screws



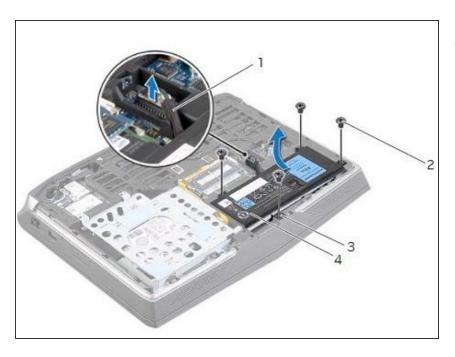
 Remove the screws that secure the battery to the computer base.

# Step 9 — Using the Battery Cable



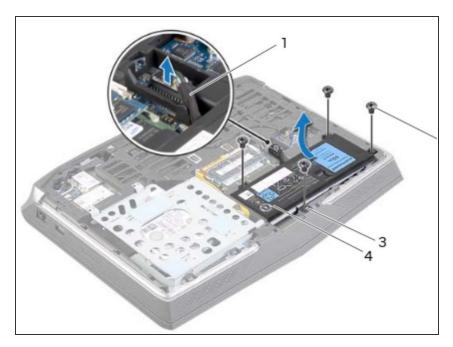
 Using the battery cable, lift the battery and release it from the tabs on the computer base.

#### **Step 10** — Turn the Computer Over



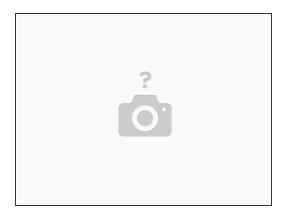
 Turn the computer over and open the display as far as possible.

## Step 11 — The Power Button



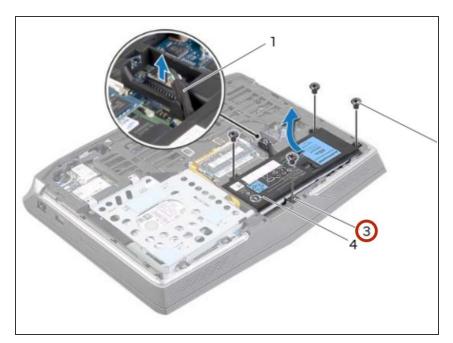
 Press and hold the power button for five seconds to ground the system board.

## Step 12 — Close the Display



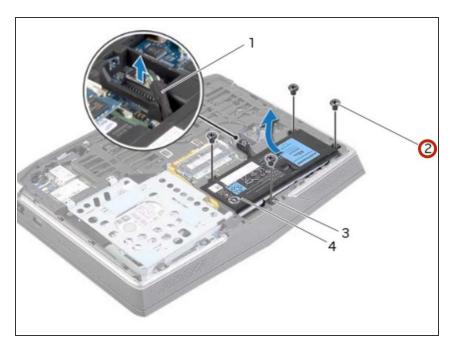
Close the display and turn the computer over.

## Step 13 — Align the Tabs



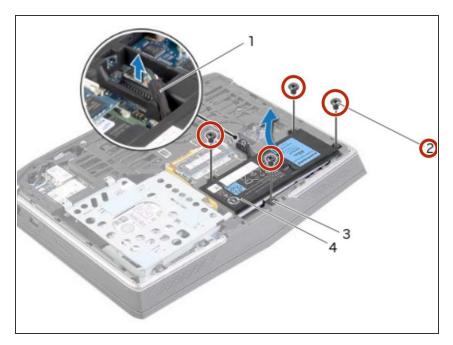
 Align the tabs on the **NEW** battery with the slots on the computer base.

## **Step 14** — Align the Screw Holes



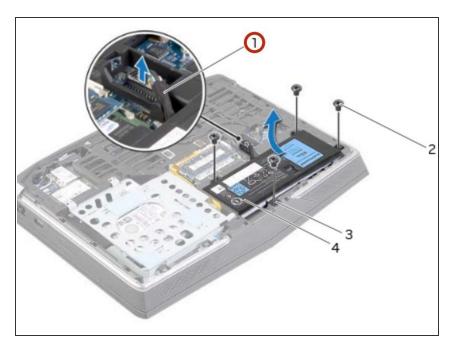
 Align the screw holes on the battery with the screw holes on the computer base.

## Step 15 — Replace the Screws



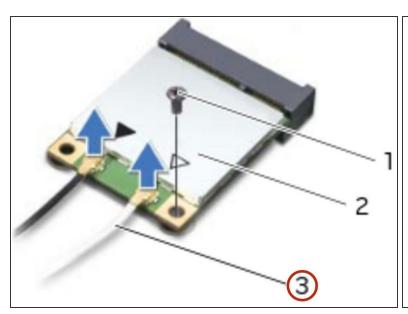
 Replace the screws that secure the battery to the computer base.

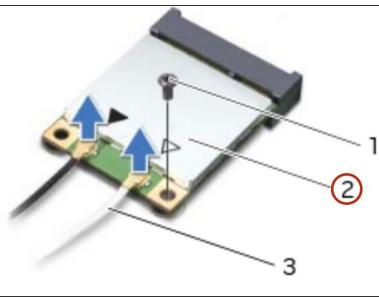
## **Step 16** — Connect the Battery Cable



 Connect the battery cable to the system-board connector.

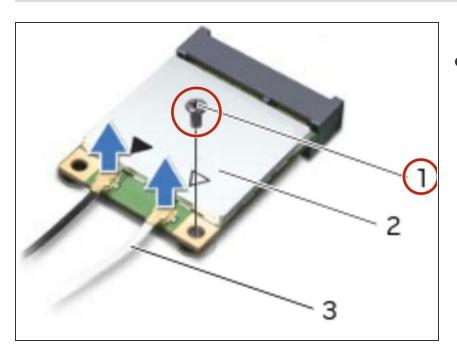
#### **Step 17 — Disconnect the Antenna Cables**





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- Disconnect the antenna cables from the wireless mini-card.

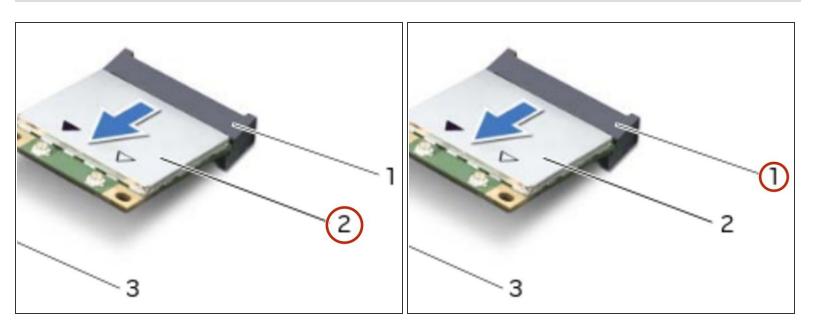
#### Step 18 — Remove the Screw



 Remove the screw that secures the wireless mini-card to the system board.

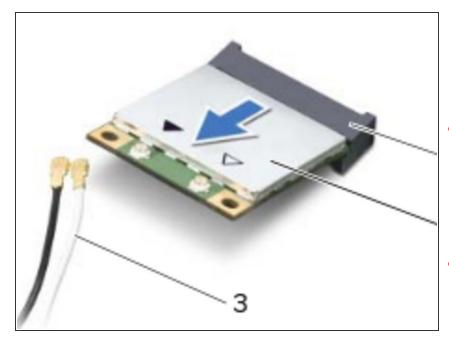
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# Step 19 — Remove the Wireless-Mini Card



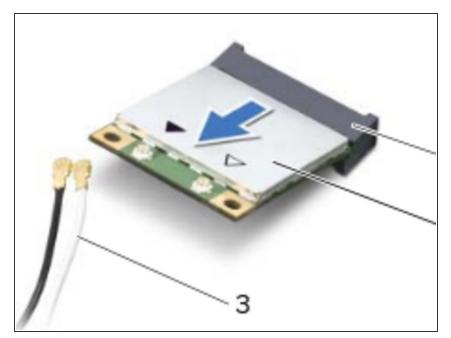
Slide and remove the wireless-mini card from the system-board connector.

#### Step 20 — Align the Notch



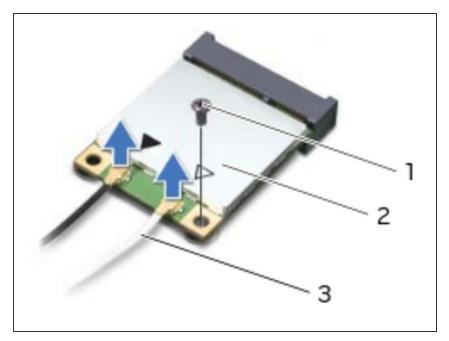
- Align the notch on the NEW wireless mini-card with the tab on the system-board connector.
- CAUTION: Use firm and even pressure to slide the wireless minicard into place. If you use excessive force, you may damage the connector.
- AUTION: The connectors are keyed to ensure correct insertion. If you feel resistance, check the connectors on the wireless mini-card and on the system-board connector, and realign the wireless mini-card.
- CAUTION: To avoid damage to the wireless mini-card, never place cables under the wireless mini-card.

# Step 21 — Inserting the Wireless Mini-Card



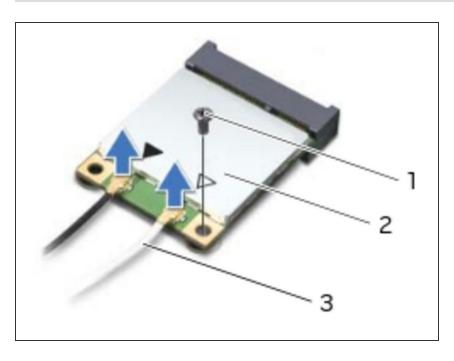
 Insert the wireless mini-card at a 45degree angle into the system-board connector.

#### Step 22 — Securing the Wireless Mini-Card



 Press the other end of the wireless mini-card down into the slot on the system board and replace the screw that secures the wireless mini-card to the system board.

#### **Step 23 — Connect the Antenna Cables**



 Connect the antenna cables to the connectors on the wireless minicard.

To reassemble your device, follow these instructions in reverse order.