



# Dell Alienware 13 R2 Base Panel Replacement

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## INTRODUCTION

In this tutorial, we will be showing you how to replace the Dell Alienware 13 R2's base panel.

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### TOOLS:

- [Phillips #0 Screwdriver](#) (1)
  - [Spudger](#) (1)
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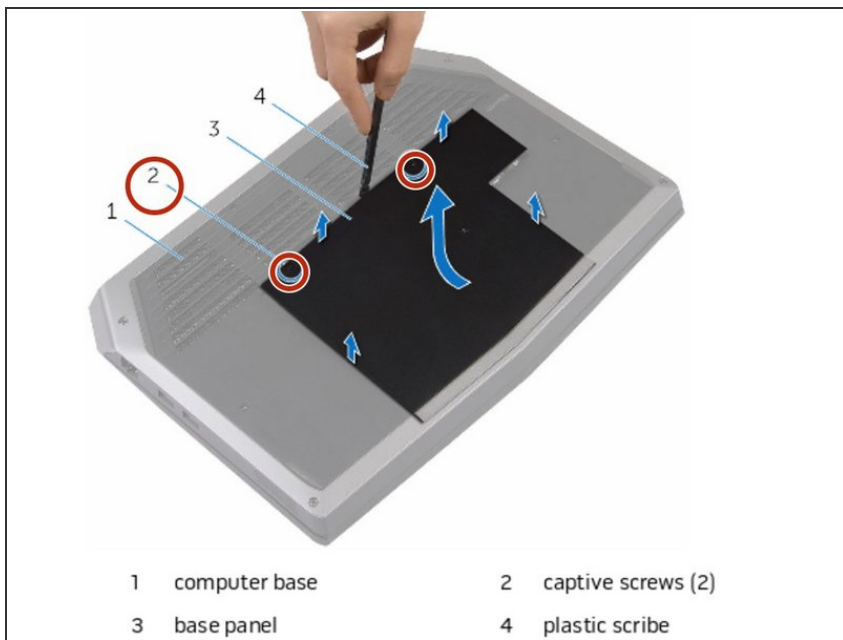
## Step 1 — Turning Over the PC



**⚠ WARNING:** Before working inside your computer, read the safety information that shipped with your computer and follow the steps in [Before Working Inside Your Computer](#). After working inside your computer, follow the instructions in [After Working Inside Your Computer](#). For more safety best practices, see the regulatory compliance home page.

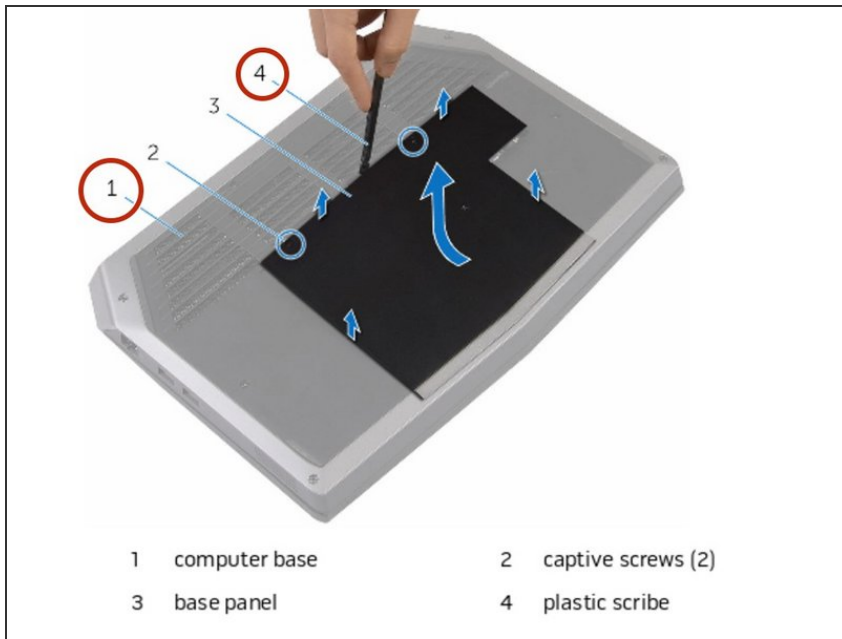
- Close the display and turn the computer over.

## Step 2 — Loosen the screws



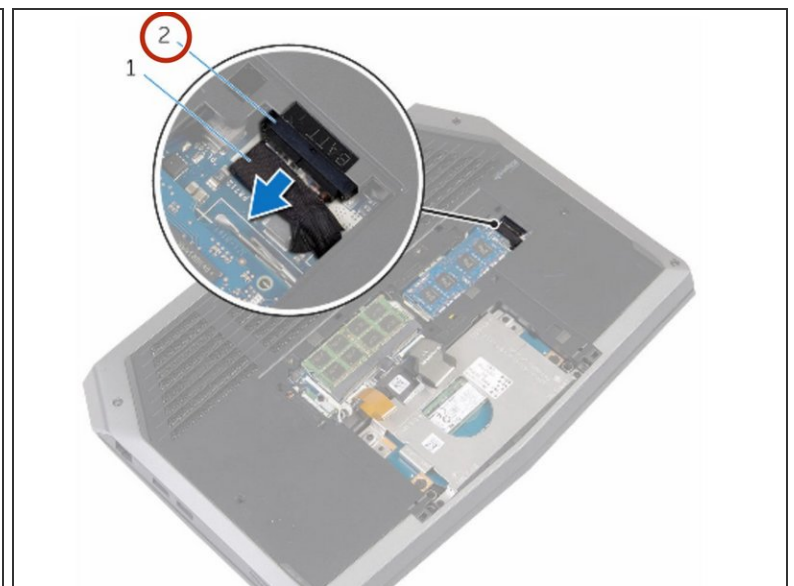
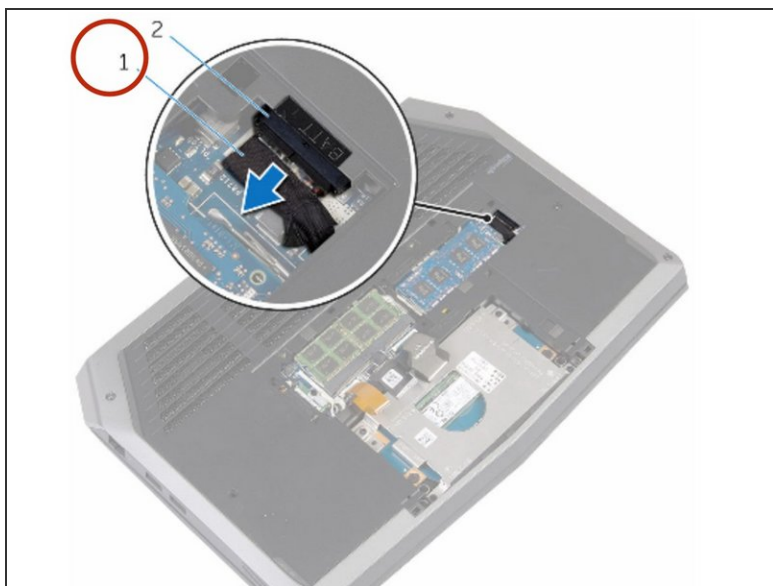
- Loosen the captive screws that secure the base panel to the computer base.

### Step 3 — Releasing the Tabs



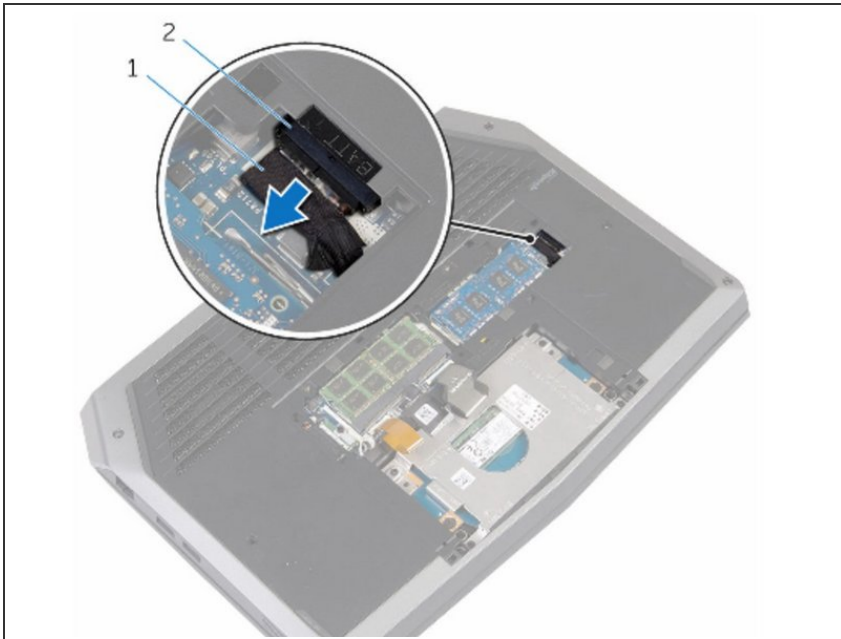
- Using a plastic scribe, gently release the tabs that secure the base panel to the computer base.

### Step 4 — Disconnecting the Battery Cable



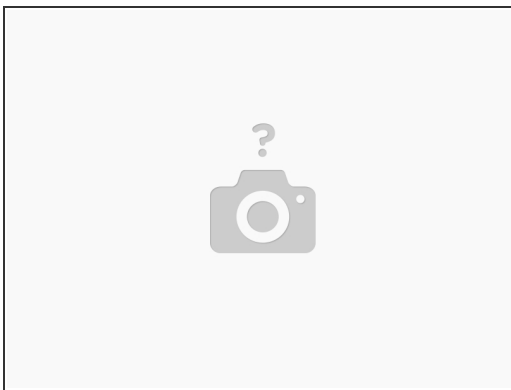
- Disconnect the battery cable from the battery-cable connector.
- Turn the computer over.

## Step 5 — Power Button



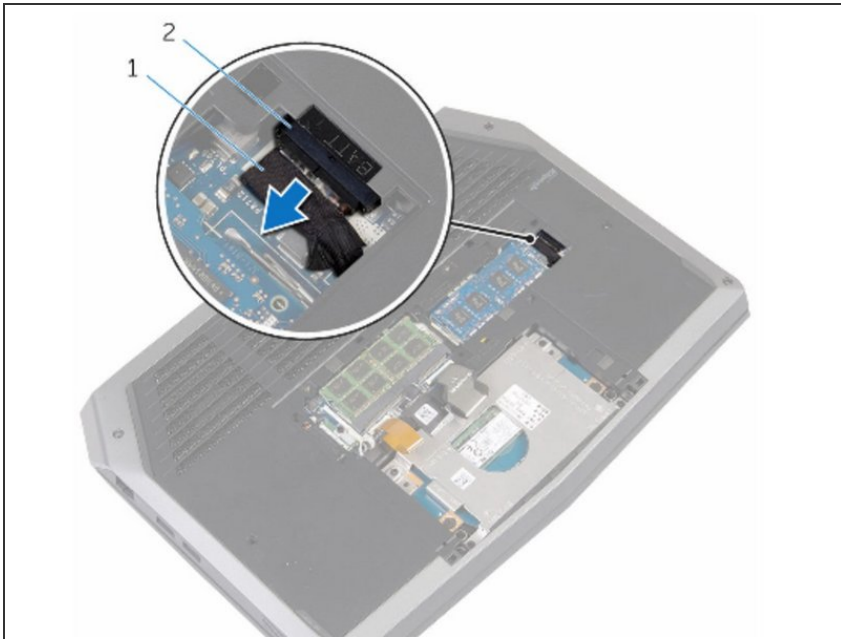
- Press and hold the power button for 5 seconds to ground the system board.

## Step 6 — Connect the Battery Cable



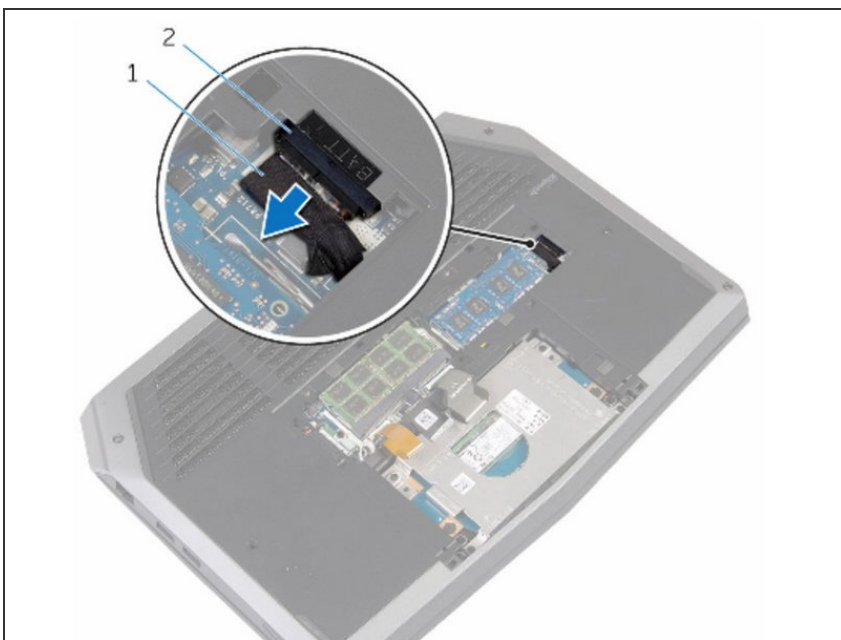
- Connect the battery cable to the battery-cable connector.

## Step 7 — Aligning the tabs



- Align the tabs on the base panel with the slots on the computer base and snap the base panel into place.

## Step 8 — Tighten the screws



- Tighten the captive screws that secure the base panel to the computer base.