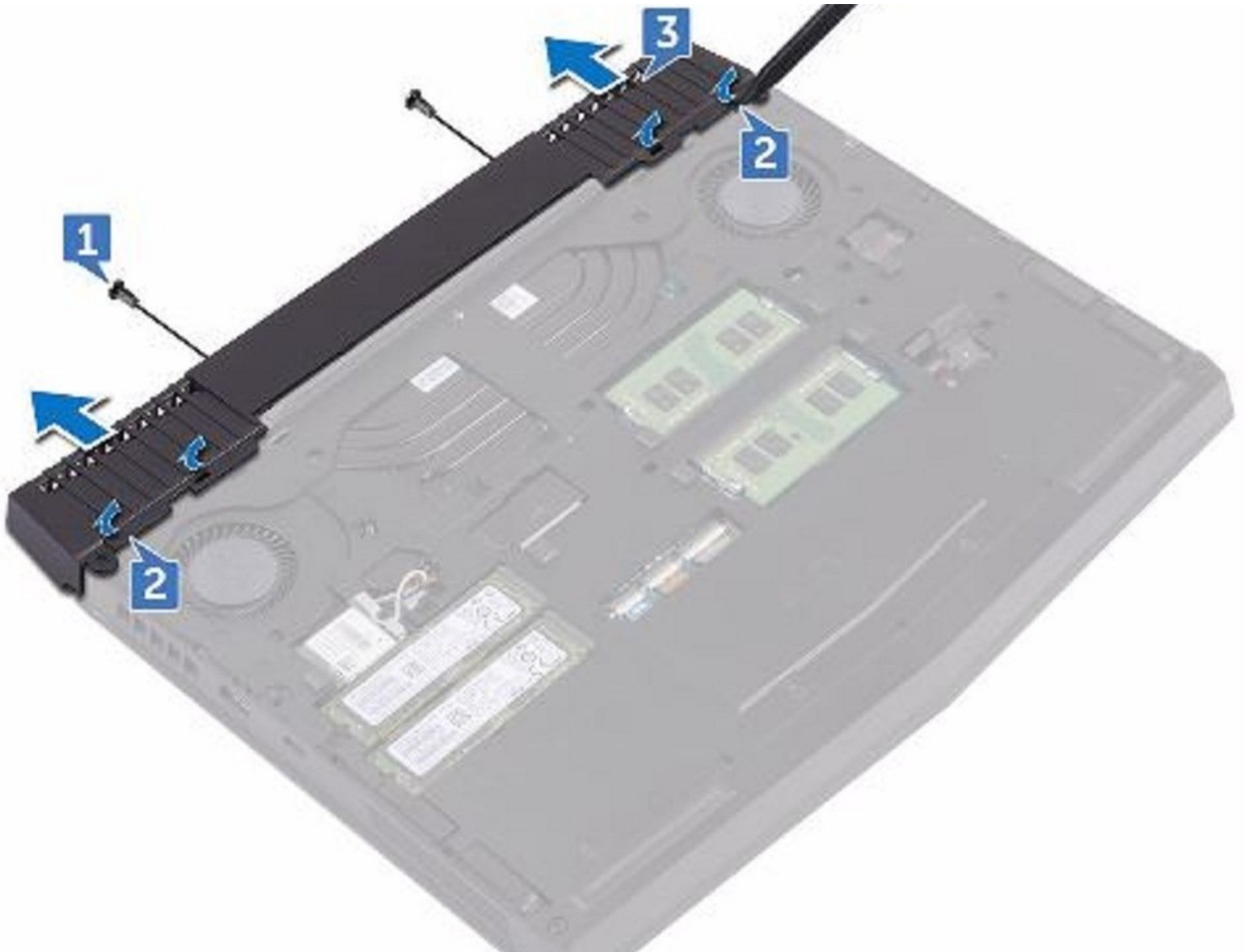# Dell Alienware 13 R3 Rear-I/O Cover Replacement

In this guide, we will show you how to remove and replace the Rear-I/O Cover.

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INTRODUCTION

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🔧 TOOLS:

- Pro Tech Toolkit (1)

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Step 1 — Loosen the Screws

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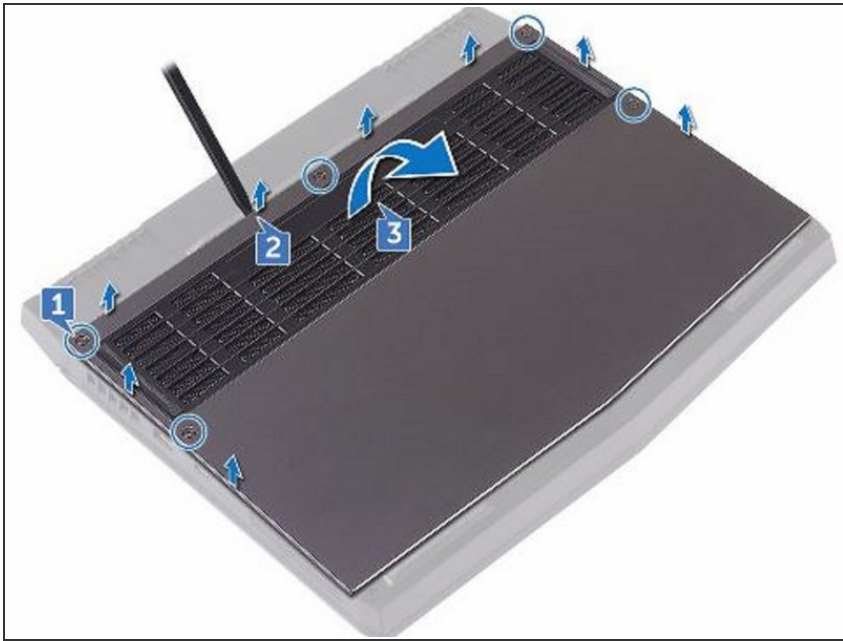
● Loosen the five captive screws that secure the base cover to the computer base.

Step 2 — Pry the Base Cover

● Using a plastic scribe, gently pry the base cover to release the tabs on the base cover from the slots on the computer base.

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Step 3 — Lift the Base Cover

- Lift the base cover off the computer base.

Step 4 — Disconnect the Battery Cable

- Using a plastic scribe, disconnect the battery cable from the system board.

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Step 5 — Press and Hold the Power-Button

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

Step 6 — Connect the Battery Cable

- Connect the battery cable to the system board.

Step 7 — Slide the Tabs

- Slide the tabs on the **NEW** base cover into the slots on the computer base and snap the base cover into place
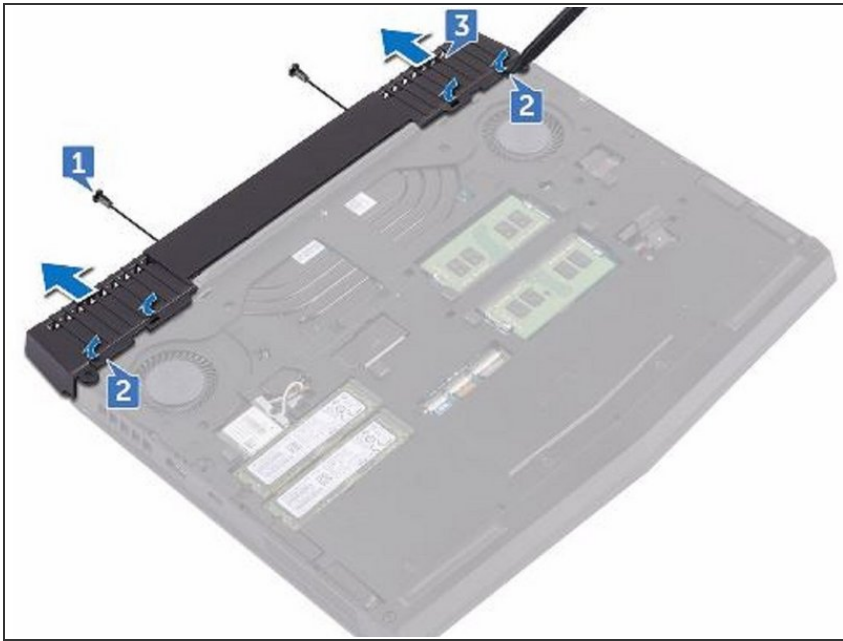
Step 8 — Tighten the Five Captive Screws

- Tighten the five captive screws that secure the base cover to the computer base.

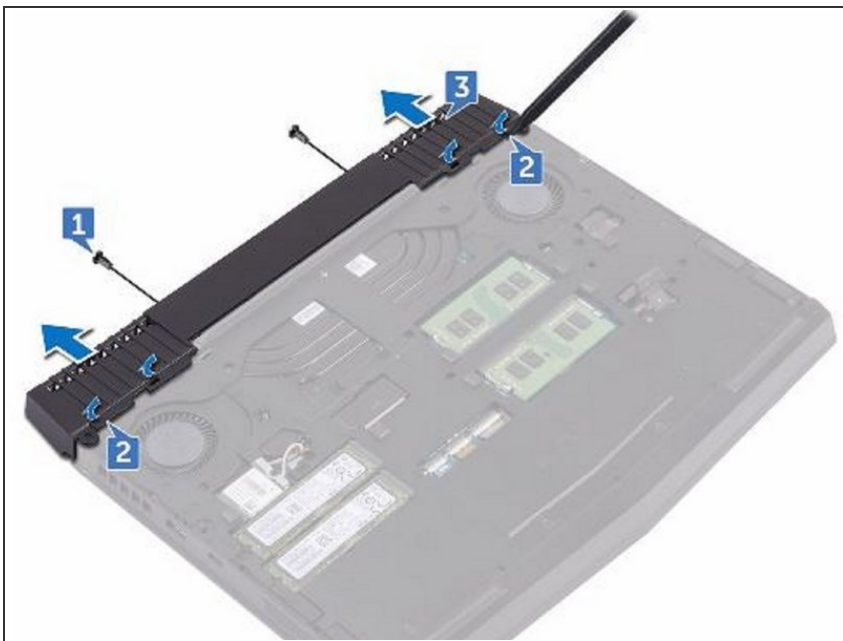This document was generated on 2020-12-15 02:30:56 AM (MST).

Step 9 — Remove the Screws

- Remove the two screws (M2.5x6L) that secure the rear-I/O cover to the palm-rest assembly.
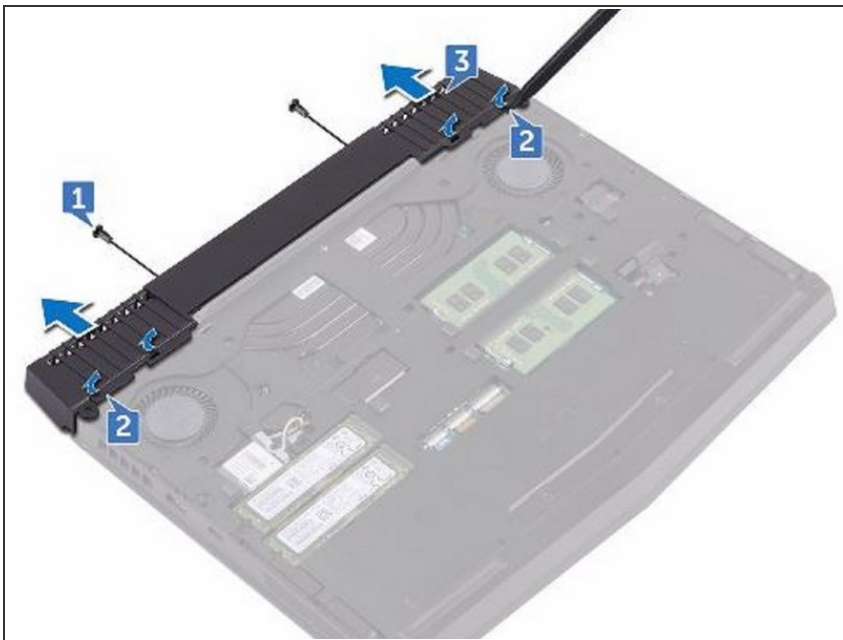
Step 10 — Using a Plastic Scribe

- Using a plastic scribe, gently release the tabs that secure rear-I/O cover to the computer base.

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Step 11 — Removing the Rear-I/O

- Slide and remove the rear-I/O cover from the computer base.

Step 12 — Sliding the Rear-I/O

- Slide the **NEW** rear-I/O cover into the slots on the computer base and snap the rear-I/O cover into place.

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Step 13 — Replace the two Screws

- Replace the two screws (M2.5x6L) that secure the rear-I/O cover to the palm-rest assembly.

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

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