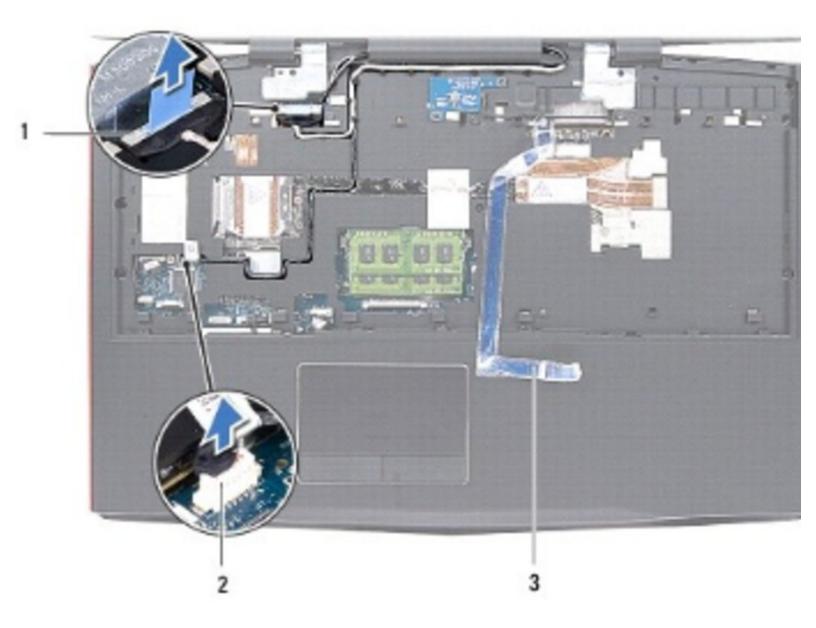


Dell Alienware M18x Display Assembly Replacement

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INTRODUCTION

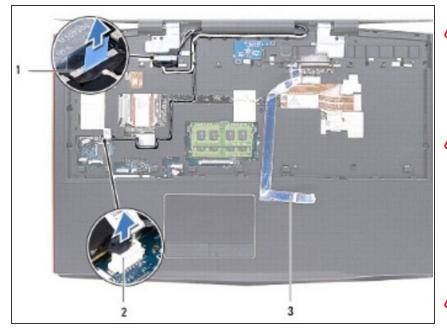
In this guide, we will show you how to remove and replace the Display Assembly.

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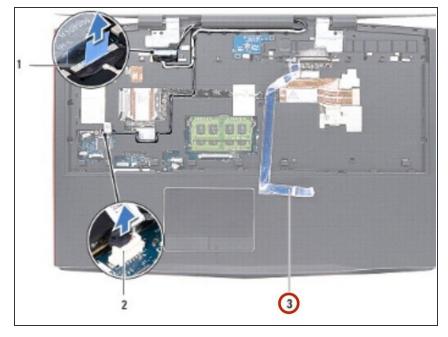
• Phillips #0 Screwdriver (1)

Step 1 — Pull the Display Cable



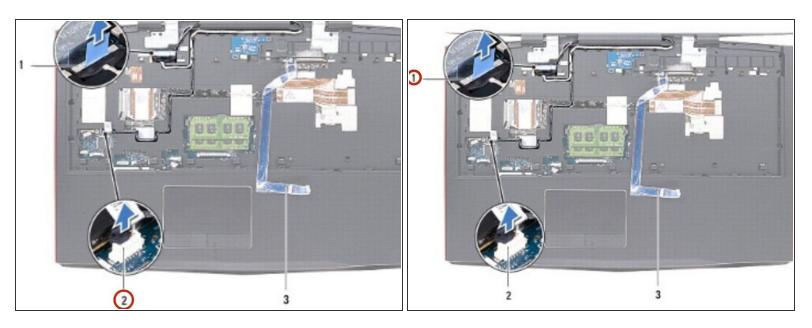
- WARNING: Before working inside your computer, read the safety information that shipped with your computer.
- CAUTION: To avoid electrostatic discharge, ground yourself by using a wrist grounding strap or by periodically touching an unpainted metal surface (such as a connector on your computer).
- CAUTION: Only a certified service technician should perform repairs on your computer. Damage due to servicing that is not authorized by Dell is not covered by your warranty.
- Using the pull-tab, pull the display cable to disconnect the display cable from the connector on the system board.

Step 2 — Disconnecting the Video-Card Connector Cable



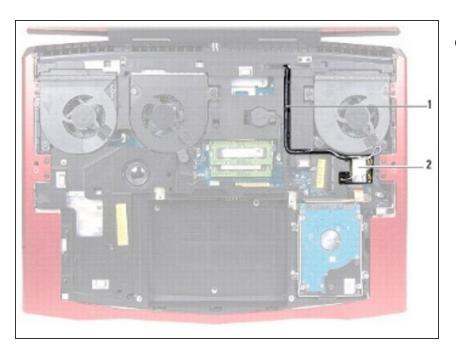
• Disconnect and peel off the videocard connector cable from the connector on the system board.

Step 3 — Disconnecting the LED-Logo Board Cable



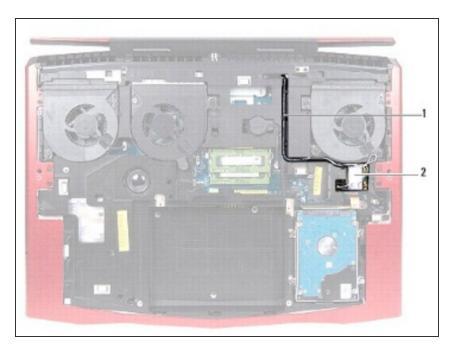
Disconnect the LED-logo board cable from the connector on the system board.

Step 4 — Close the Display



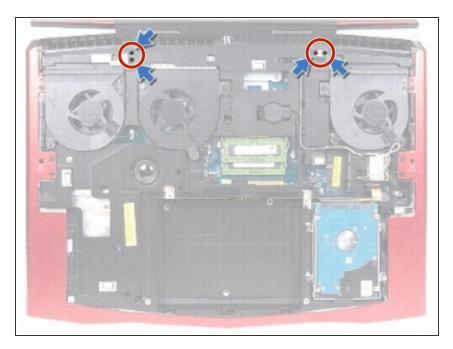
• Close the display and turn the computer over.

Step 5 — Removing the Cables



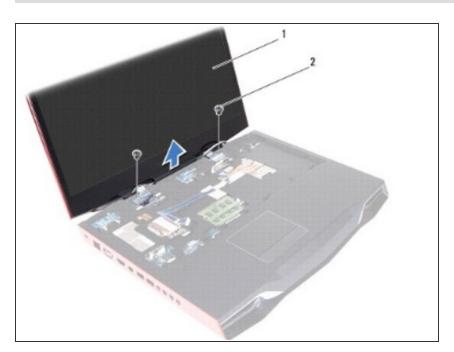
- Disconnect the antenna cables from the Mini-Card.
- Note the routing of the antenna cables, and then remove the cables from the routing guides on the computer base.

Step 6 — Remove the Screws



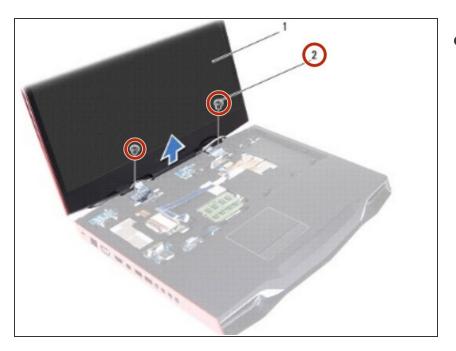
 Remove the four screws that secure the display assembly on the computer base.

Step 7 — Note the Routing



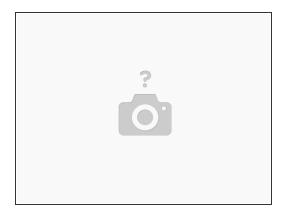
- Turn the computer over and open the display.
- Note the routing of the display cable and LED -logo board cable, and then remove the cables from the routing guides on the palm-rest assembly.

Step 8 — Remove the Screws



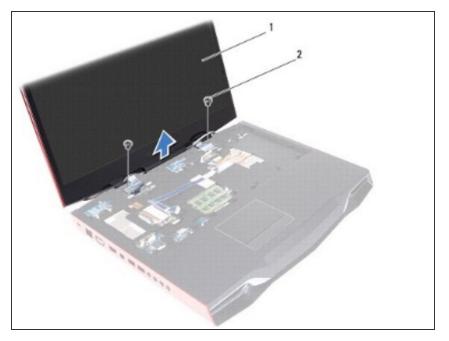
 Remove the two screws, on the display hinges, that secure the display assembly to the computer base.

Step 9 — Gently Slide the Antenna Cables



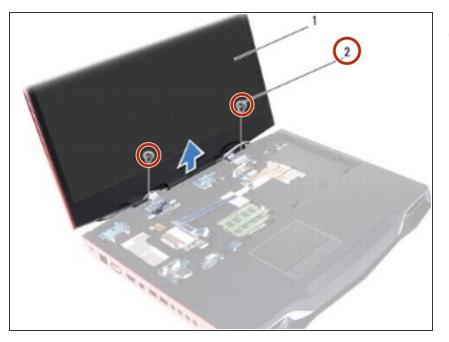
• Gently slide out the antenna cables through the slot on the computer base.

Step 10 — Moving the Display



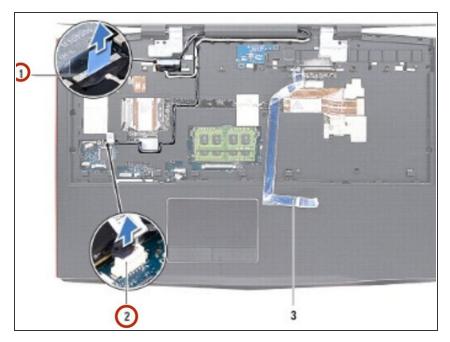
 Move the display to a perpendicular position to the computer base, and then lift the display assembly off the computer.

Step 11 — Placing the Display Assembly



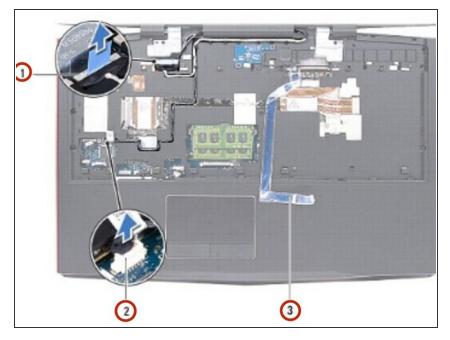
 Place the NEW display assembly in position and replace the two screws, on the display hinges, that secure the display assembly to the computer base

Step 12 — Routing the Display Cable



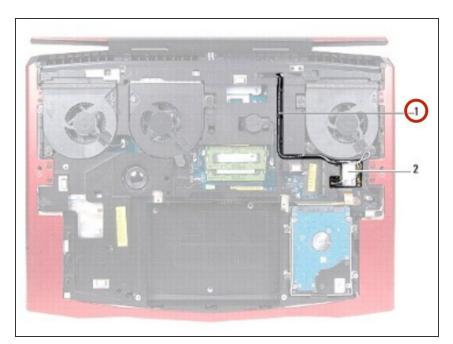
 Route the display cable and LED logo board cable through the routing guides on the palm-rest assembly.

Step 13 — Connecting the Display Cable



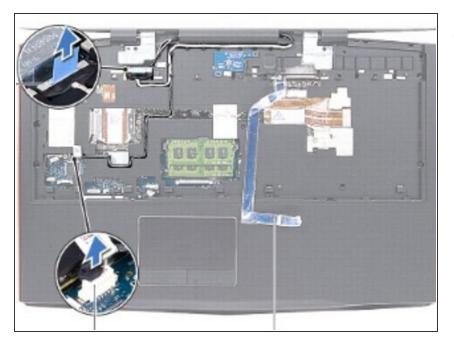
• Connect the display cable, videocard connector cable, and LED-logo board cable to the respective connectors on the system board.

Step 14 — Sliding the Cables



• Slide the Mini-Card antenna cables through the slot on the computer base.

Step 15 — Close the Display



• Close the display and turn the computer over.

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