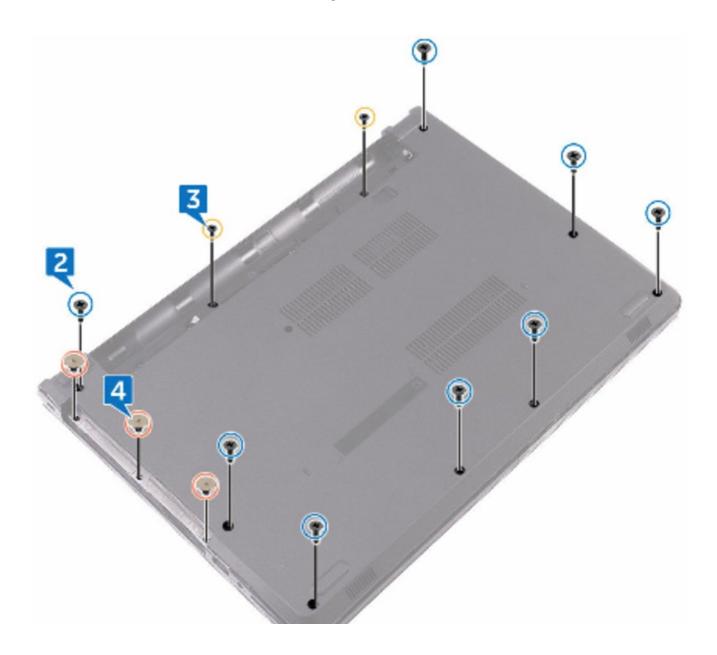


Dell Inspiron 14 3465 Base Cover Replacement

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INTRODUCTION

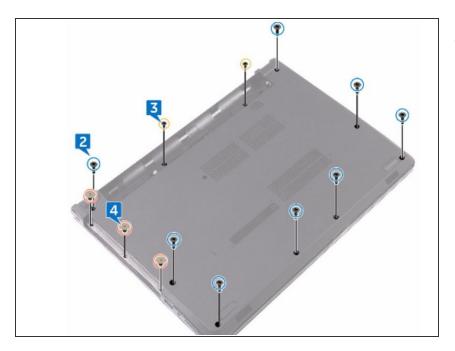
How To Remove And Replace The Base Cover



TOOLS:

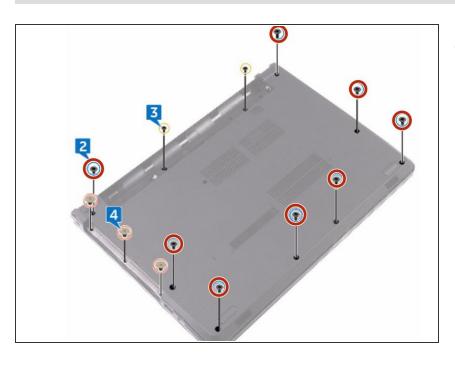
• Phillips #0 Screwdriver (1)

Step 1 — Turning The Computer Over



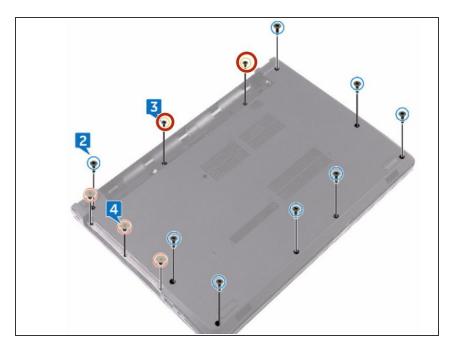
 Close the display, and turn the computer over.

Step 2 — Removing Eight Screws



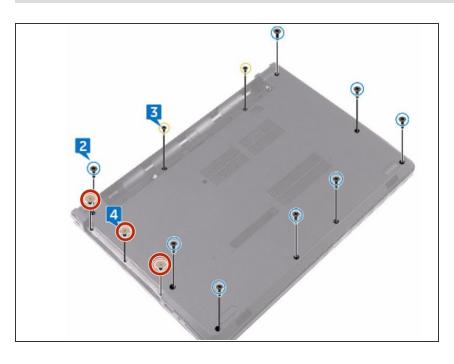
 Remove the eight screws (M2.5x8) that secure the base cover to the palm-rest assembly.

Step 3 — Removing Two Screws



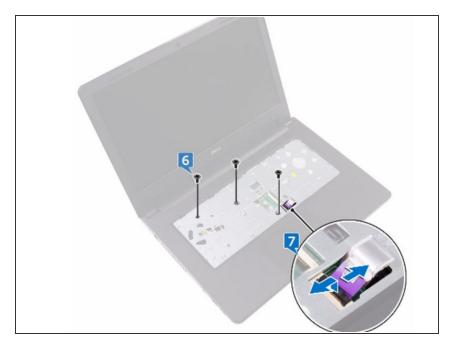
 Remove the two screws (M2x5) that secure the base cover to the palmrest assembly.

Step 4 — **Rmoving Three Screws**



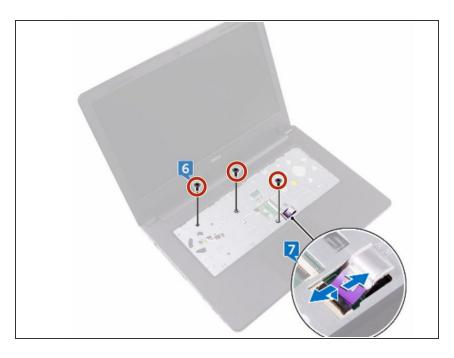
 Remove the three screws (M2x2) that secure the base cover to the palm-rest assembly.

Step 5 — Open The Display



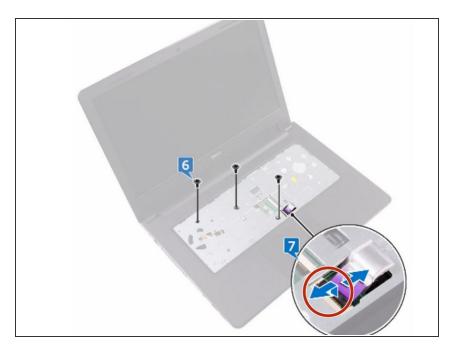
 Turn the computer over, and open the display.

Step 6 — Removing Three Screws



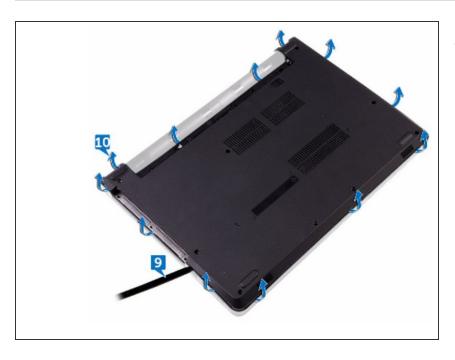
 Remove the three screws (M2x5) that secure the base cover to the palm-rest assembly.

Step 7 — **Disconneting The Optical-Drive Cable**



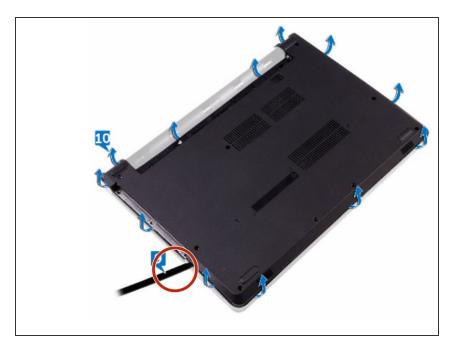
 Open the latch, and disconnect the optical-drive cable from the system board.

Step 8 — Turn Over The Computer



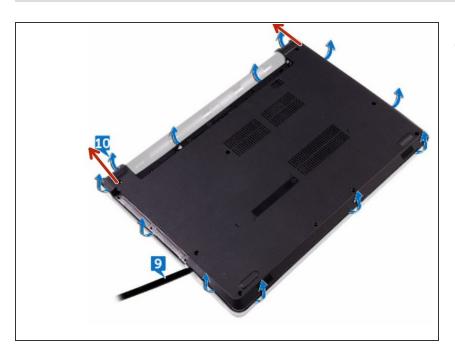
 Close the display, and turn the computer over.

Step 9 — Prying The Base Cover



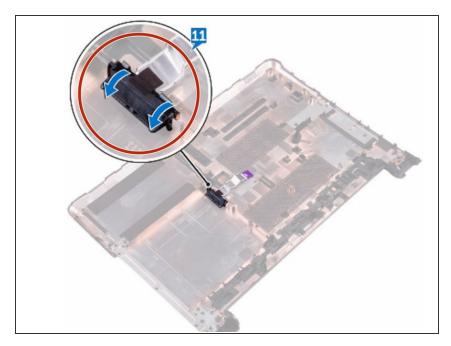
 Using a plastic scribe, pry the base cover off the palm-rest assembly.

Step 10 — Lifting The Base Cover



 Lift the base cover off the palm-rest assembly.

Step 11 — Releasing the optical-drive



 Release the optical-drive interposer from the tabs, and remove it from the base cover.

Step 12 — Sliding the optical-drive



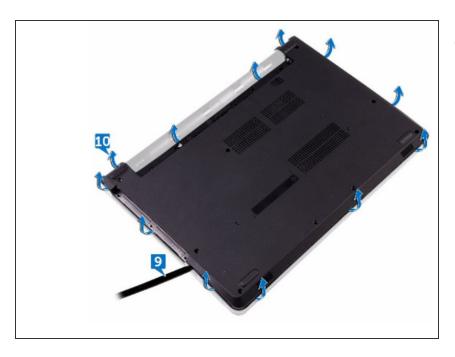
 Slide the optical-drive interposer into the tabs on the **NEW** base cover and snap it into place.

Step 13 — Placing The New Base Cover



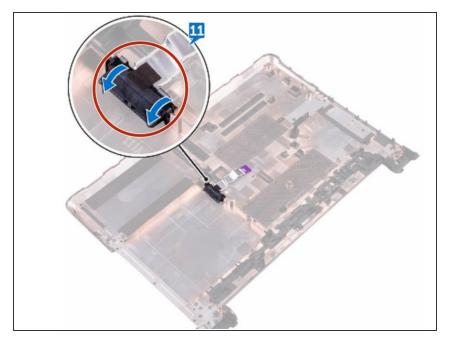
 Place the base cover on the palmrest assembly and route the opticaldrive cable through the slot on the palm-rest assembly.

Step 14 — Sliding The Tabs



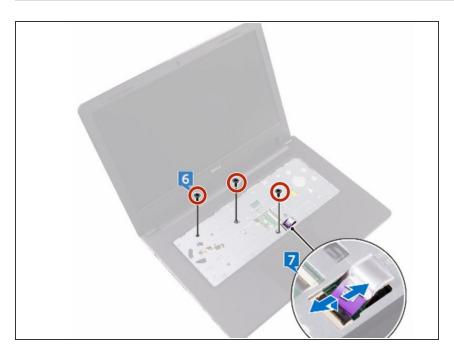
 Slide the tabs on the base cover into the slots on the palm-rest assembly, and snap the base cover into place.

Step 15 — Sliding The Optical-Drive Cable



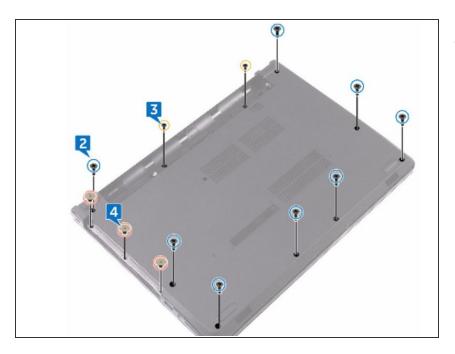
 Slide the optical-drive cable into the connector on the system board and press down the latch to secure the cable.

Step 16 — Replacing The Three Screws



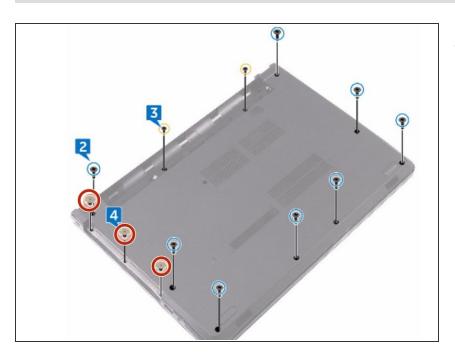
 Replace the three screws (M2x5) that secure the base cover to the palm-rest assembly.

Step 17 — Turn Over The Computer



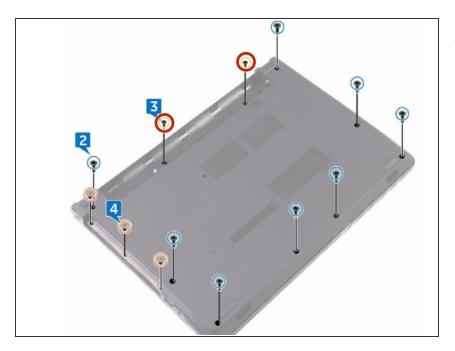
 Close the display, and turn the computer over.

Step 18 — Replacing The Three Screws



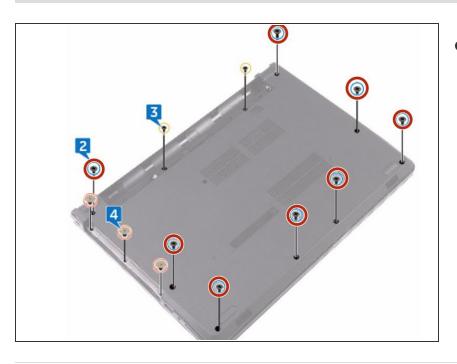
 Replace the three screws (M2x2) that secure the base cover to the palm-rest assembly.

Step 19 — Replacing The Two Screws



 Replace the two screws (M2x5) that secure the base cover to the palmrest assembly.

Step 20 — Replacing The Eight Screws



 Replace the eight screws (M2.5x8) that secure the base cover to the palm-rest assembly

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