



Dell Precision M3800 Touch Pad Replacement

This guide will help you replace the touch pad for the Dell Precision M3800. This is necessary if your touch pad is unresponsive/not working anymore.

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INTRODUCTION

If the Dell Precision M3800 touchpad is unresponsive or not working, use this guide to replace the touchpad.

The touchpad works as the “mouse” for the laptop, and an unresponsive touchpad would stop the user from using the laptop, unless the user uses an external mouse.

Before beginning, be sure to power down the laptop, and unplug from the external power source(s).



TOOLS:

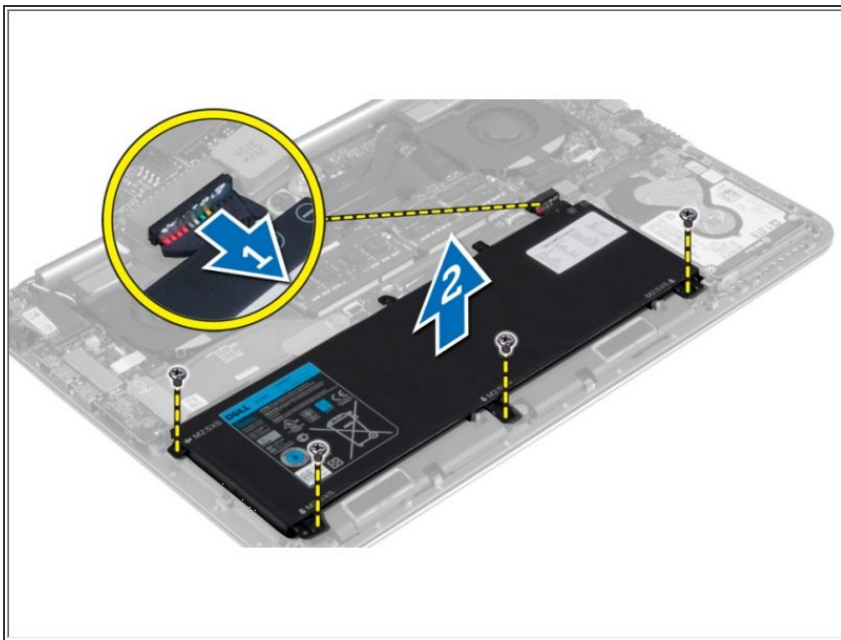
- [Prying and Opening Tool Assortment](#) (1)
 - [T5 Torx Screwdriver](#) (1)
 - [Phillips #00 Screwdriver](#) (1)
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Step 1 — Back Cover



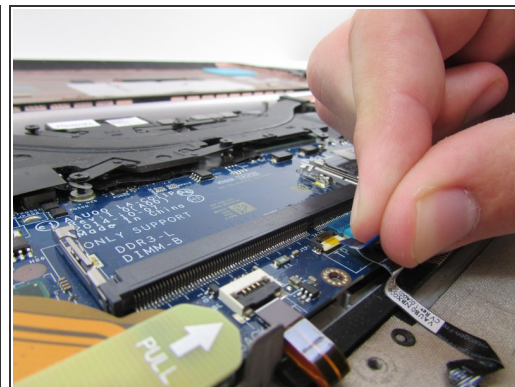
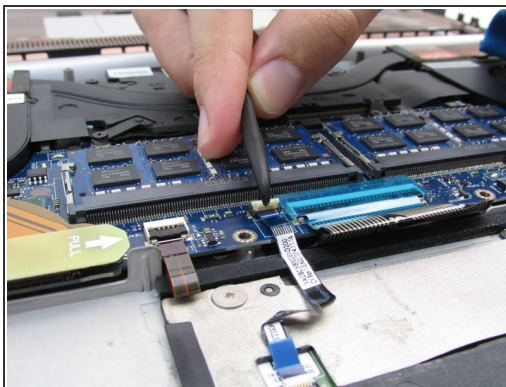
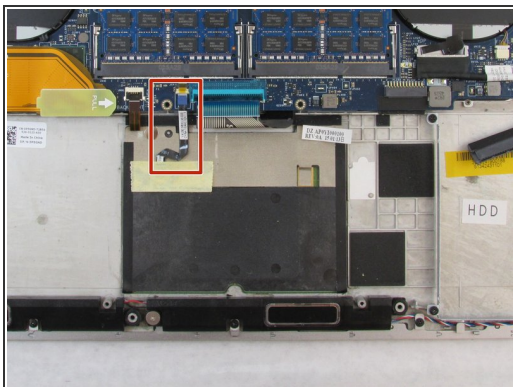
- Use a T5 Torx screwdriver to unscrew the ten 3mm screws on the laptop back cover and then remove the cover.
- ❗ iFixit's magnetic project mat is great for keeping the screws in one place.
- If the back cover is hard to remove, use a plastic opening tool to remove the back cover.

Step 2 — Battery



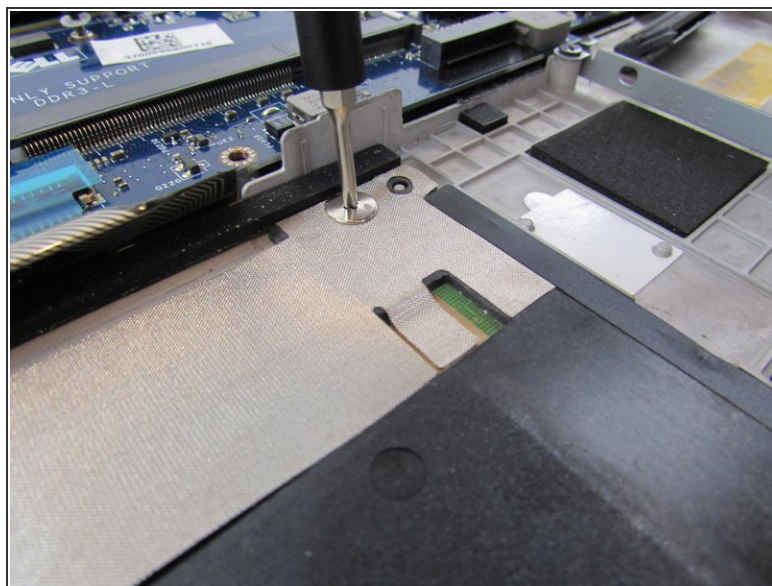
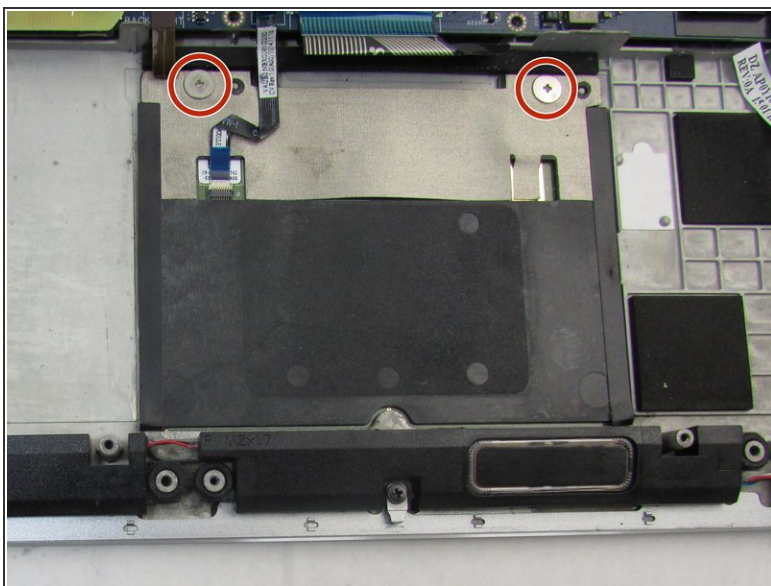
- Disconnect the battery cable from the system board [1].
- Remove the screws that secure the battery to the computer.
- Lift the battery off the computer [2].

Step 3 — Touch Pad



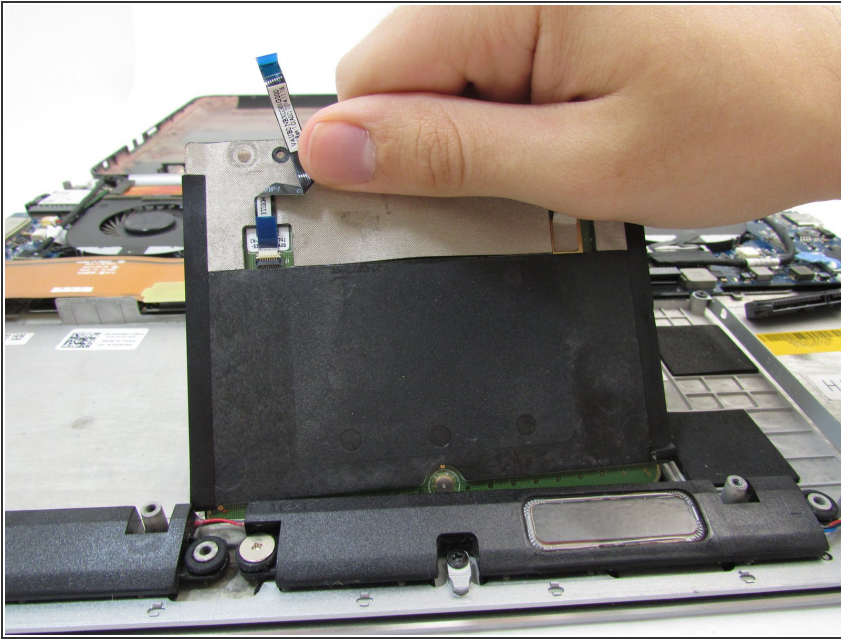
- Remove the wire that connects the touch pad with the motherboard with a hooked pry tool (Spudger 3) and by pulling the pull tab to safely remove the wire.

Step 4



- Use a Phillips #00 screwdriver to remove the two 2mm silver screws.

Step 5



- Remove the touch pad from the laptop. If needed, use a prying tool to remove the touch pad.

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