



Dell Vostro 3450 Palm Rest Replacement

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INTRODUCTION

In this guide, we will be showing you how to remove and replace the Palm Rest.

TOOLS:

- [Phillips #0 Screwdriver](#) (1)
 - [Spudger](#) (1)
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Step 1 — Unlocking the Battery



- Slide the left and the right battery release latches to the unlock position.

Step 2 — Removing the Battery



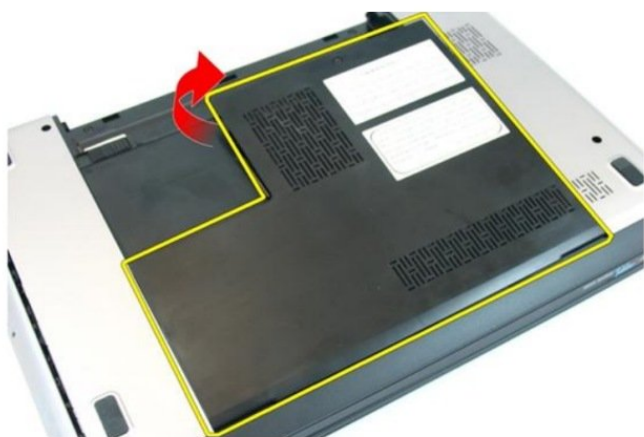
- Slide the battery and remove it from the computer.

Step 3 — Loosen the Screw



- Loosen the screw that secures the memory door.

Step 4 — Removing the Memory Door



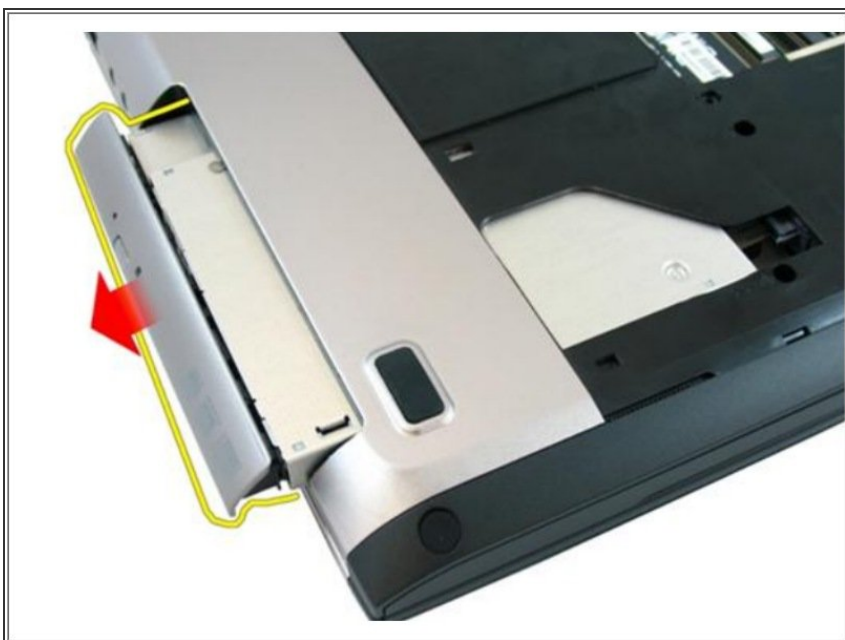
- Pry up the memory door near the screw hole, lift and remove it.
- ☑ If this is all you are doing Follow Step In Reverse if not Go to Next Step.

Step 5 — Remove the Screw



- Remove the screw that secures the optical drive to the computer.

Step 6 — Prying the Drive



- Gently pry the optical drive out of the computer.

Step 7 — Remove the Screws



- Remove the screws that secure the optical drive bracket.

Step 8 — Removing the Optical Drive



- Remove the optical drive bracket from the optical drive module.

Step 9 — Remove the Screws



- Remove the screws in the battery compartment.

Step 10 — Remove the Screws



- Remove the screws in the optical drive compartment.

Step 11 — Remove the Rubber



- Remove the rubber from the bottom base on the right side.

Step 12 — Remove the Rubber



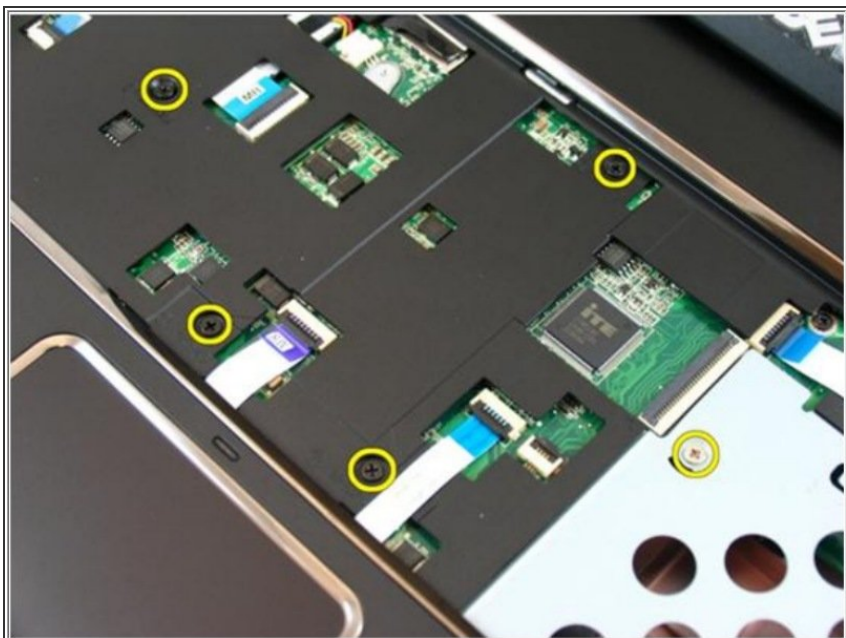
- Remove the rubber from the bottom base on the left side.

Step 13 — Remove the Screws



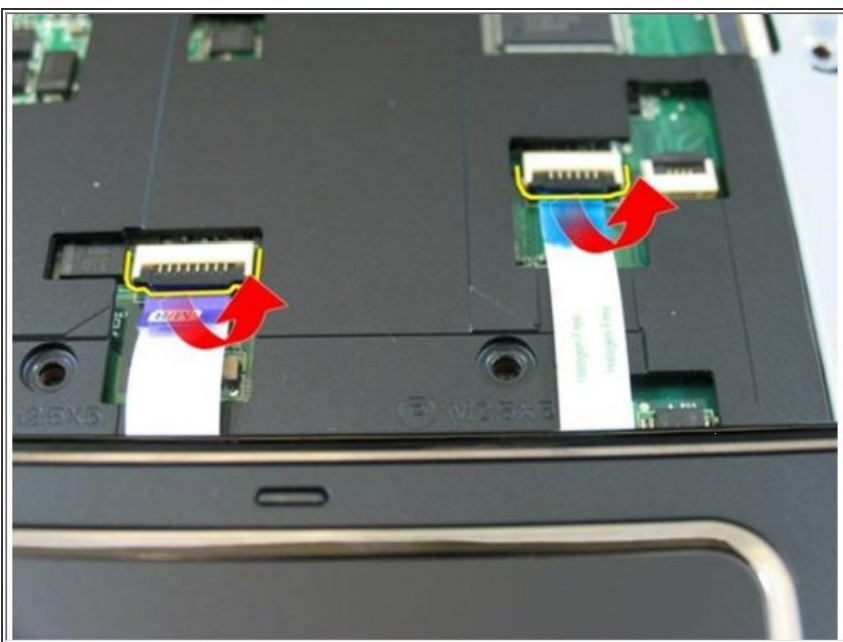
- Remove all the screws from the bottom base.

Step 14 — Remove the Screws



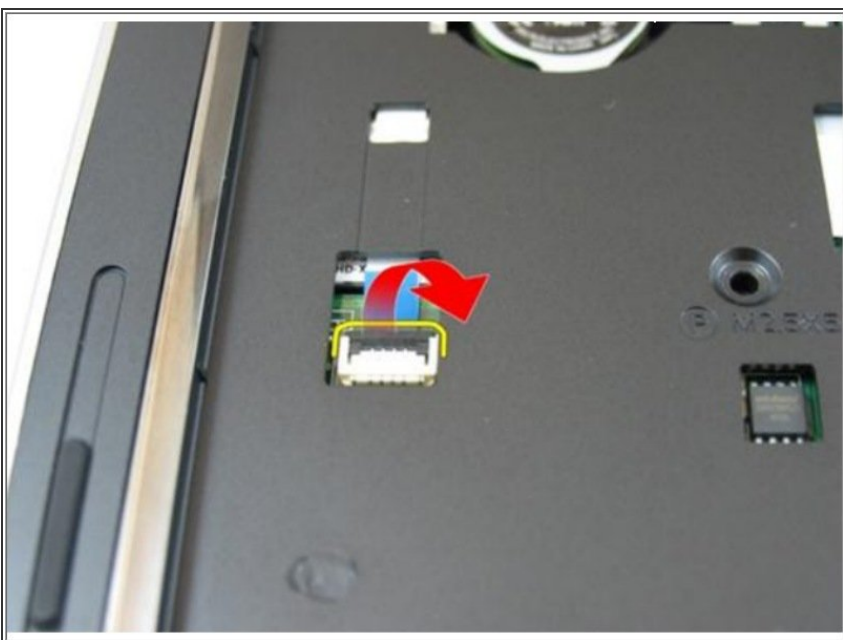
- Flip the computer around and remove the screws that secures the palm rest.

Step 15 — Release the Latches



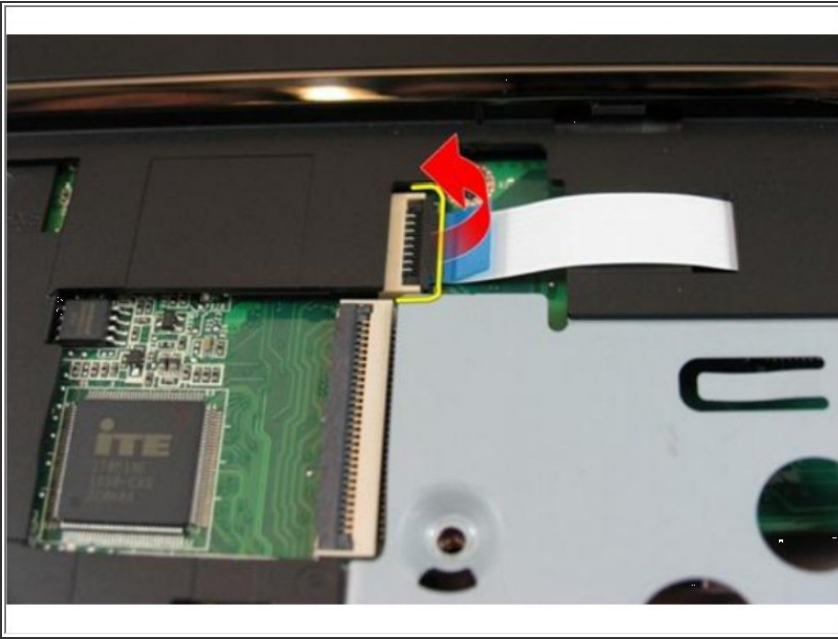
- Release the latches on the system board connector, then disconnect the touch pad cable and the finger printer cable.

Step 16 — Release the Latch



- Release the latch on the system board connector and then disconnect the power button cable.

Step 17 — Disconnecting the Key Cable



- Release the latch on the system board connector and then disconnect the hot key cable.

Step 18 — Prying the Palm Rest



- Pry up the right side of the palm rest.

Step 19 — Prying the Palm Rest



- Pry up the left side of the palm rest.

Step 20 — Prying the Sides



- Pry up the sides of the palm rest and remove it from the computer.
- ★ If this is all you are doing Follow Step In Reverse if not Go to Next Step.