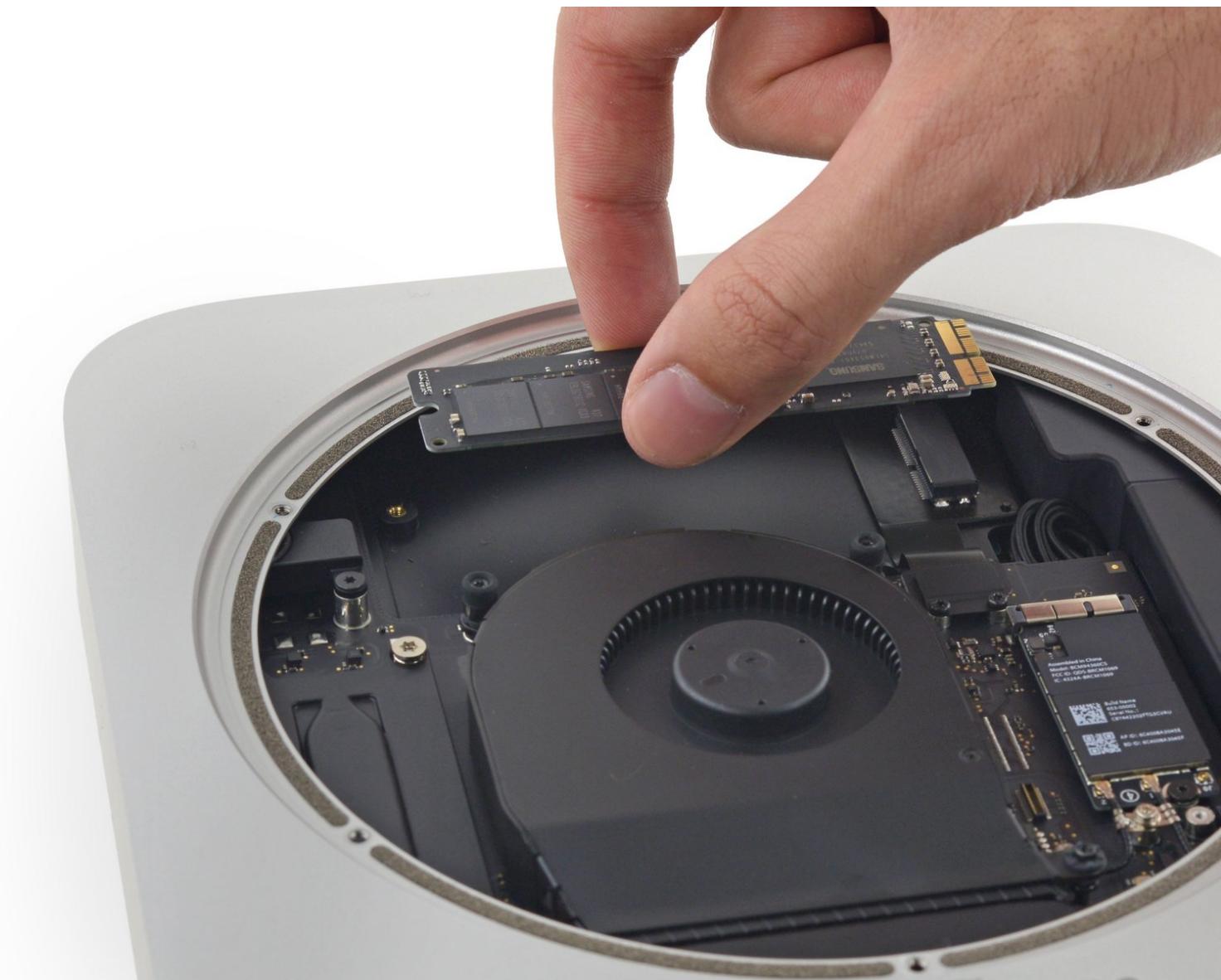




# Mac mini Late 2014 SSD Replacement

Replace the blade-style PCIe SSD in a Mac mini Late 2014.

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## INTRODUCTION

Use this guide to replace the SSD stick in an SSD only, or Fusion Drive model of the Mac mini Late 2014.

### **TOOLS:**

- [iFixit Opening Tools](#) (1)
- [Spudger](#) (1)
- [TR6 Torx Security Screwdriver](#) (1)
- [T5 Torx Screwdriver](#) (1)

### **PARTS:**

- [OWC Aura Pro X2 SSD](#) (1)

## Step 1 — Bottom Cover



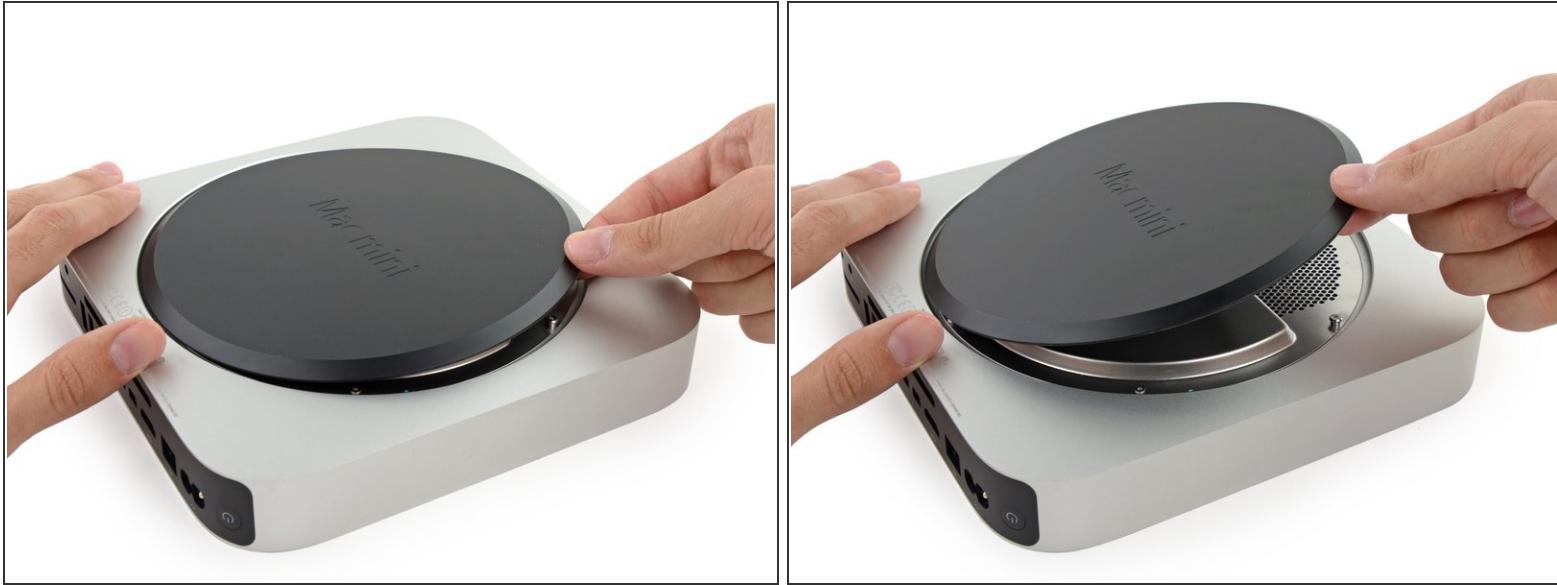
- The bottom cover is clipped onto three screw posts.
- Pry near, but not right on the screw posts.

## Step 2



- Use the plastic opening tool to pry the bottom cover up off of the Mac mini.

## Step 3



- Lift and remove the bottom cover.

## Step 4 — Antenna Plate



- Remove the following TR6 screws from the antenna plate:
  - Three 4.1 mm screws
  - Three 1.9 mm screws

## Step 5



**⚠** Do not completely remove the antenna plate; it is still connected to the Mac mini by an antenna cable.

- With the I/O ports facing you, flip the antenna plate to the right to allow access to the antenna cable connector.

## Step 6



- Remove the single 3.4 mm T6 screw and washer from the antenna cable.
- i** Be careful not to lose the washer when removing the screw.

## Step 7



- Use the point of a spudger to lift the antenna connector straight up off its socket on the airport card.

## Step 8



- Carefully pull the antenna cable out from the gap between the power supply and case.

## Step 9



- Remove the antenna plate from the Mac mini.

## Step 10 — SSD



- Remove the 5 mm T5 screw securing the SSD.

## Step 11



- Lift the free end of the SSD up slightly and pull it out of its socket.

## Step 12



- Carefully lift the SSD out of the case without scratching or touching the gold contacts.

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