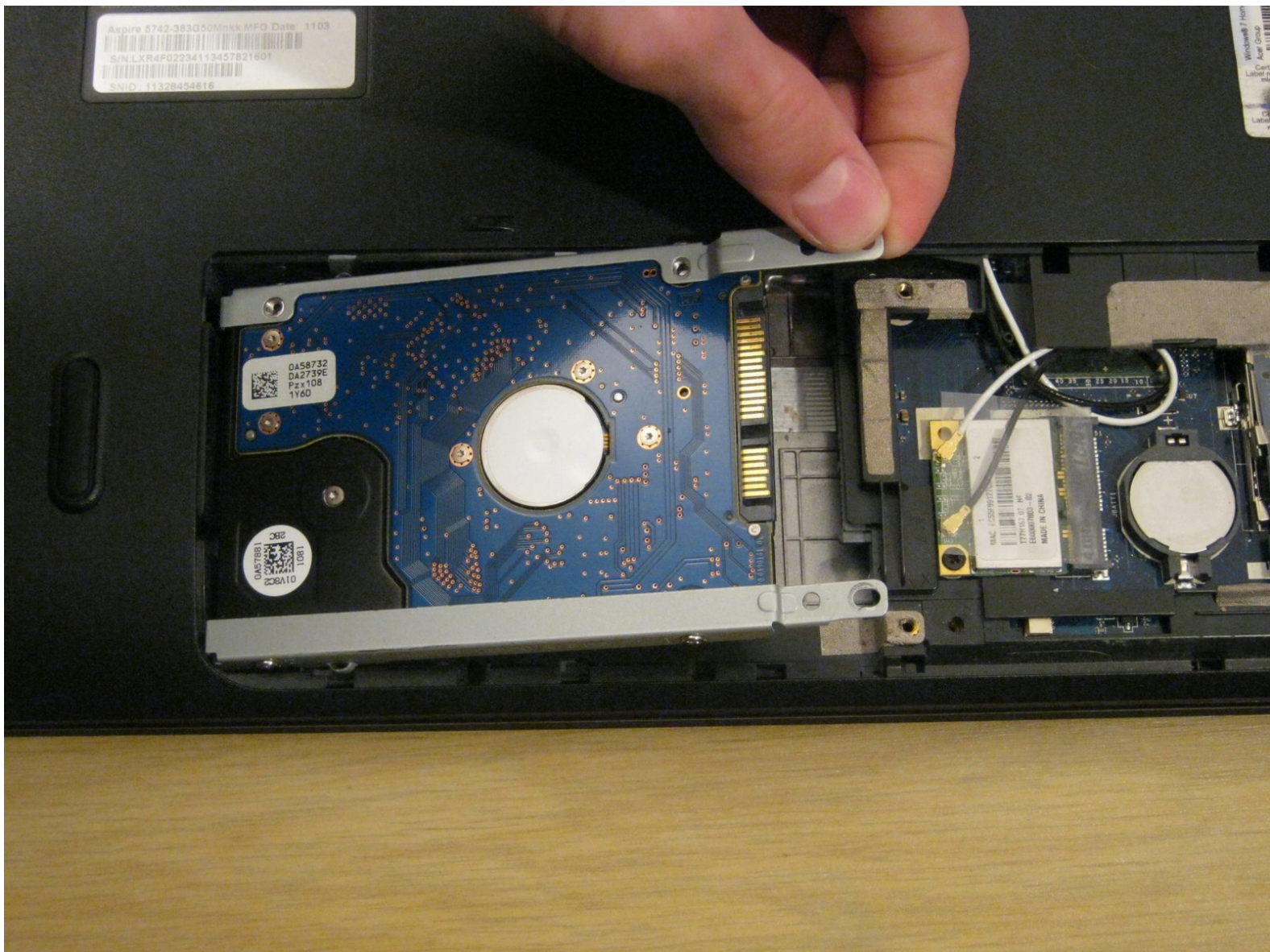




Acer Aspire 5742 Hard Drive Removal

Replace the hard drive in your Acer Aspire 5742.

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INTRODUCTION

Removal of the hard drive is easy, but just be careful not to knock, jerk or drop it in the process as it's a delicate electromechanical device.



TOOLS:

- [Phillips #00 Screwdriver](#) (1)
- [Spudger](#) (1)



PARTS:

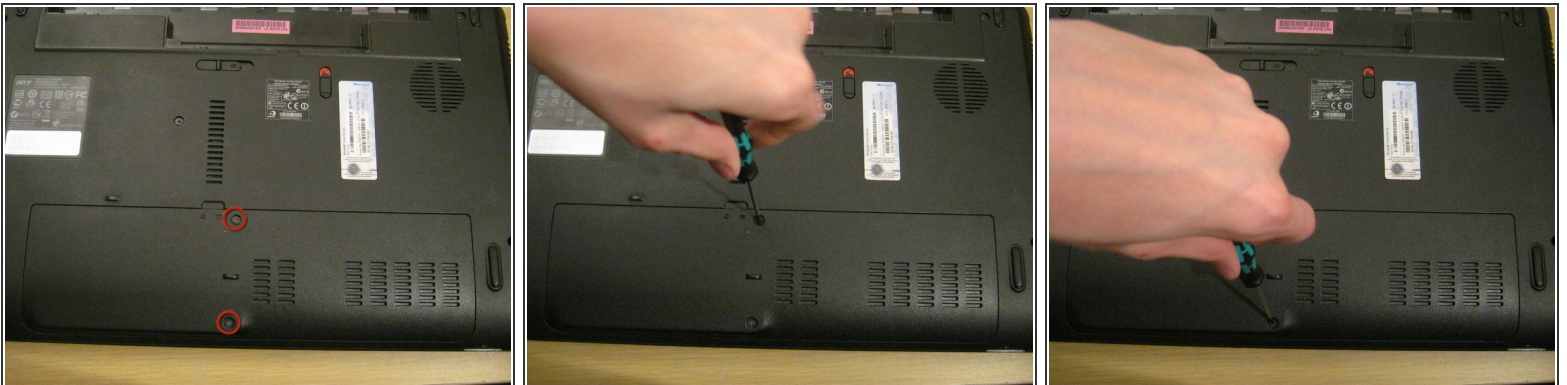
- [1 TB SSD / Upgrade Bundle](#) (1)
- [250 GB SSD / Upgrade Bundle](#) (1)
- [500 GB SSD / Upgrade Bundle](#) (1)
- [2 TB SSD](#) (1)

Step 1 — Battery



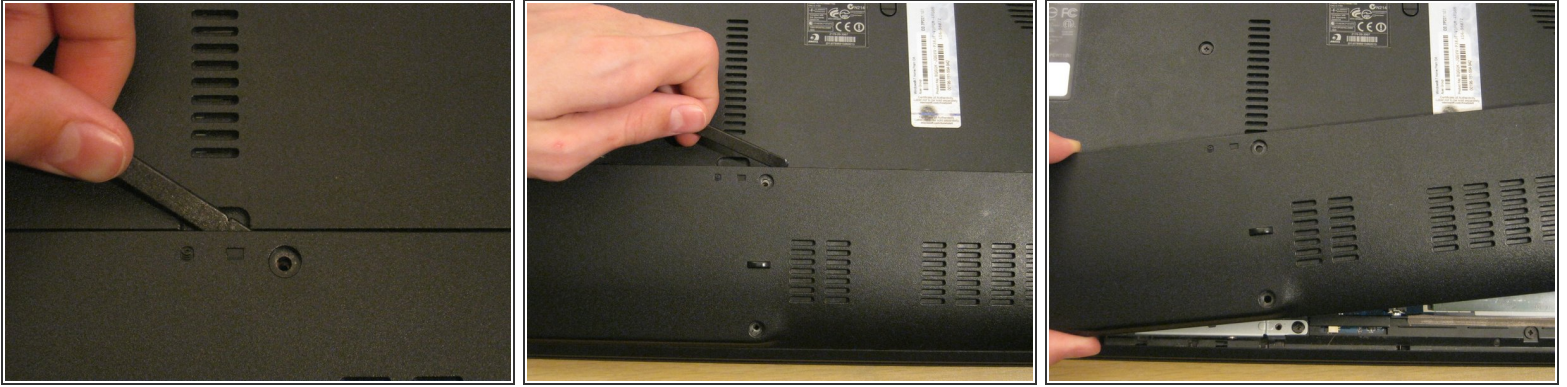
- Move the battery catch to the "unlocked" position.
- Pull back the second spring-loaded battery catch until the battery pops up.
- Remove the battery.

Step 2 — Cover Panel



- Turn the notebook around to face you.
- There are two Phillips #00 screws securing the cover panel to the rest of the notebook. Remove these screws.

Step 3




- Use a spudger to release the panel from the plastic retaining clips keeping it in place.

 Do not apply too much force, or you may break the clips.

- Remove the panel and set it aside.

Step 4 — Hard drive



- Unscrew the Phillips #00 screw which retains the hard drive in place.
- Gently slide the hard drive to the left in order to disengage the SATA connectors.
-  It may be quite stiff, in which case you can ease the hard drive out of the SATA connectors by inserting a spudger between the hard drive and the connector block.
- Lift the drive out of the notebook.

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

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