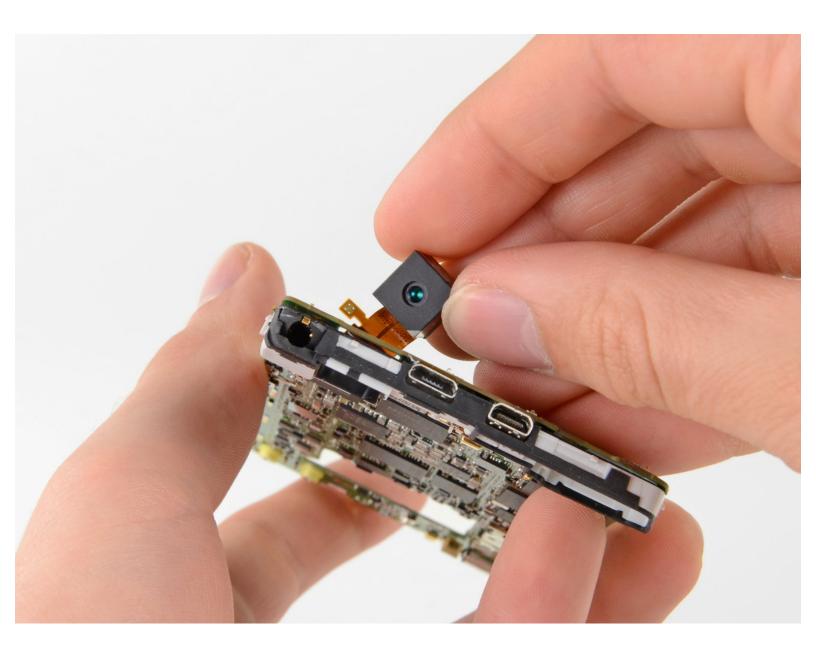


# Motorola Droid RAZR Rear-Facing Camera Replacement

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# **INTRODUCTION**

What's the point of a phone if it can't take 8 megapixel pictures, right? Replace the rear-facing HD camera in your Droid RAZR to help keep your Mobile Uploads album on Facebook up to-date.



# **TOOLS:**

- iFixit Opening Tools (1)
- Spudger (1)
- T4 Torx Screwdriver (1)
- T5 Torx Screwdriver (1)

#### Step 1 — Back Cover



- Insert a plastic opening tool between the back cover and rear case at the lower left edge of the back cover.
- Pry the back cover up with the plastic opening tool to free the plastic clips.
- Continue prying along the left edge of the back cover towards the top of the phone.







- Work the plastic opening tool across the top of the back case to free the plastic clips.
- ↑ The top edge of the back case is very thin. Pry carefully to avoid cracking or snapping it.
- Continue prying down the right side of the back cover to free the remaining clips.







- Pull the back cover away from the phone to remove it.
- (i) The back cover is attached to the battery with a generous amount of adhesive, so you may have to use quite a bit of force to separate the two pieces.
  - ↑ The battery must remain in the phone and not come off with the back cover or you will break the power lead.
- (i) Since the back cover is made of Kevlar, it can handle a fair amount of twisting and tugging without breaking.

#### Step 4 — Battery



 Use the tip of a spudger to lift up the red silicone cover over the battery terminal screws and remove it.

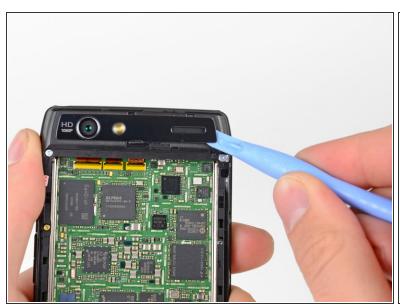






- Remove the two 3.3 mm T5 Torx battery terminal screws.
- Grab the blue battery removal tab and lift the battery out to remove it.
- There is quite a bit of adhesive securing the battery to the motherboard. Work slowly to avoid deforming the battery.
- (i) Your phone will have a number of metal EMI shields on the motherboard, rather than the bare ICs seen here.

#### **Step 6** — Camera Cover





- Use a heat gun or hair dryer to soften the adhesive underneath the camera cover.
  - The following steps were performed without the use of a heat gun. Notice that the camera cover cracks very easily if you do not heat the adhesive that holds it in place.
- Gently pry up the bottom edge of the camera cover with a plastic opening tool.
- Carefully slide the plastic opening tool across the bottom edge to free it from the adhesive.
- Continue to use the heat gun as needed to soften the adhesive as you remove the camera cover.







- Insert the plastic opening tool underneath the top edge of the camera cover.
- Gently pry the camera cover up as you slide the plastic opening tool across the top edge to free it from the adhesive.
- Remove the camera cover.

#### Step 8 — Rear Case



- Remove the six screws securing the rear case to the rest of the phone:
  - three 6.7 mm silver T3 Torx screws at the top,
  - four 4.0 mm gold T3 Torx screws in the middle,
  - and three 4.5 mm black T5 Torx screws at the bottom.







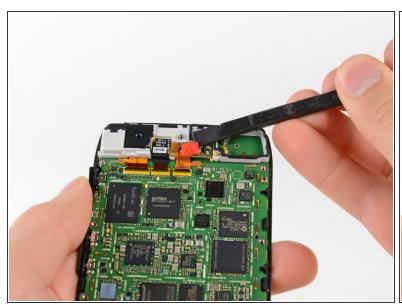
- Insert a plastic opening tool between the rear case and the motherboard assembly.
- Work your way down the side of the phone and gently pry the rear case up.
- Separate the rear case from the motherboard assembly.

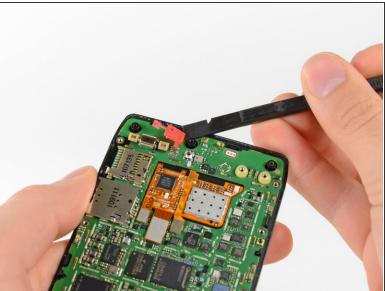
# **Step 10 — Motherboard Assembly**



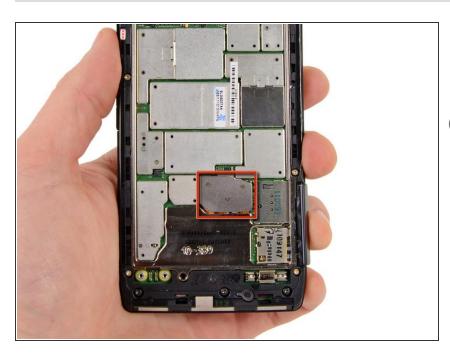


- Remove the three 2.5 mm T3 Torx screws securing the metal chassis to the motherboard.
- Remove the metal chassis from the motherboard assembly.





 Use the flat end of a spudger to remove the two red silicone microphone covers at the top and bottom of the motherboard.



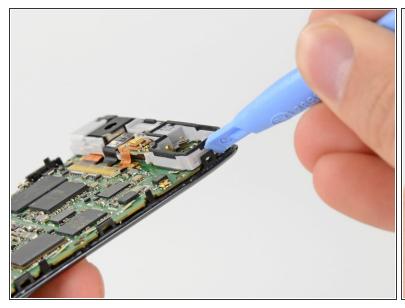
- There is a small metal shield that covers the display assembly cable connectors on the motherboard. This shield is held in place by a few small clips that attach to the surrounding EMI shields.
- Use the tip of a spudger to gently bend the clips out of shape and remove the shield.





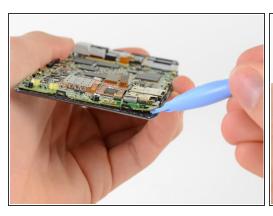


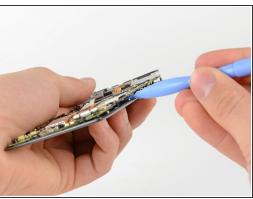
 Use the flat end of a spudger to pry the three display cable connectors off their sockets on the motherboard.





- There are a number of small black plastic clips on the display assembly that hold the motherboard in place.
- Release the securing clips with a plastic opening tool.

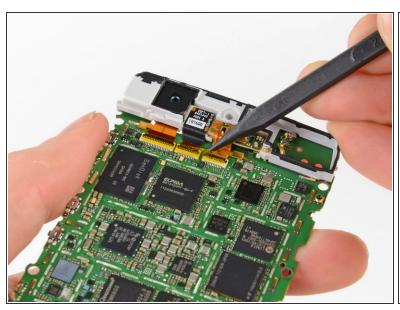


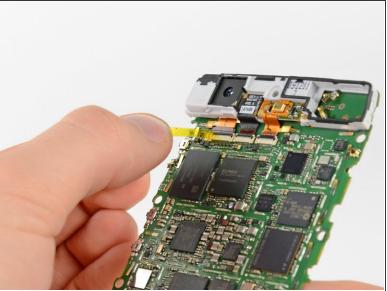




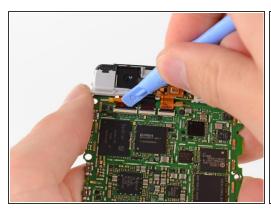
- Use a heat gun or hair dryer to soften the adhesive strip around the perimeter of the motherboard.
- Pry the edges of the motherboard up from the display assembly with a plastic opening tool.
- Remove the motherboard assembly.

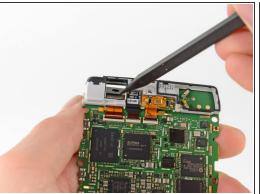
# **Step 16** — Rear-Facing Camera

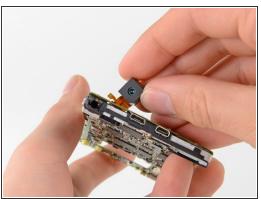




- Lift up the anti-static tape covering the camera and earpiece ZIF connectors with the tip of a spudger.
- Peel back the tape and remove it.
- Unless you have spare ESD-safe tape lying around, you may consider keeping this piece somewhere safe to be reused at reassembly.







- Use a plastic opening tool or your fingernail to lift up the tab on the rear-facing camera ribbon cable ZIF connector.
  - Make sure you're prying on the tab and not the connector itself.
- Push the rear-facing camera through its hole in the grey antenna and remove it.

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