Apple Powerbook 520/540 General Disassembly

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INTRODUCTION

In order to obtain access to the internal components you must first follow this step by step general disassembly guide. This will be a first stop in installing a new component that is enclosed by the outer shell.

🔧 **TOOLS:**

[Essential Electronics Toolkit](#) (1)
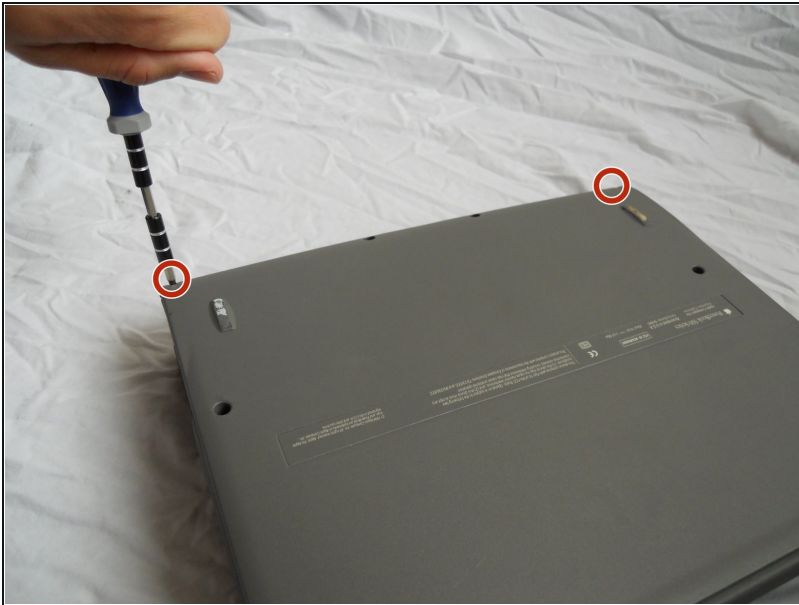[TR8 Torx Security Screwdriver](#) (1)

Step 1 — Case

- Turn computer over.

- Remove battery expansion cover and battery.

Step 2

- With monitor hinge at the bottom, remove the two top center screws.
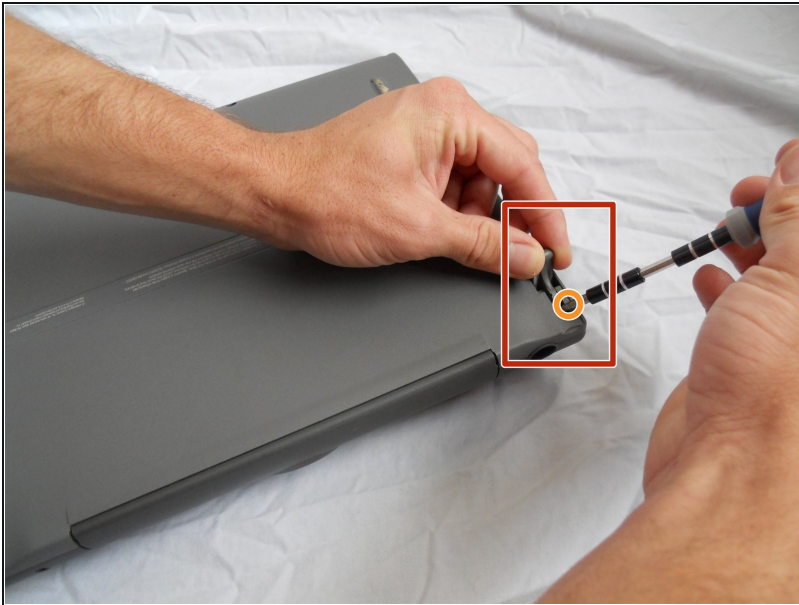
Step 3

- Remove top left and top right screws.

Step 4

- Remove middle left and middle right screws.

Step 5

- Open computer kickstands.

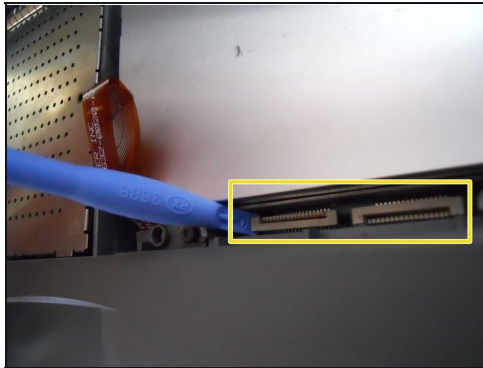- Remove screws underneath each kickstand.

Step 6

- Lift keyboard from bottom and take out of shell.

Step 7

- Lift the white ribbon clamps securing the keyboard ribbon cables to the motherboard. You can do this using a plastic opening tool.

- Removing both ribbon cables from the motherboard will leave the clamps like so.

- From here you can access the logic board, hard drive, and floppy drive.

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