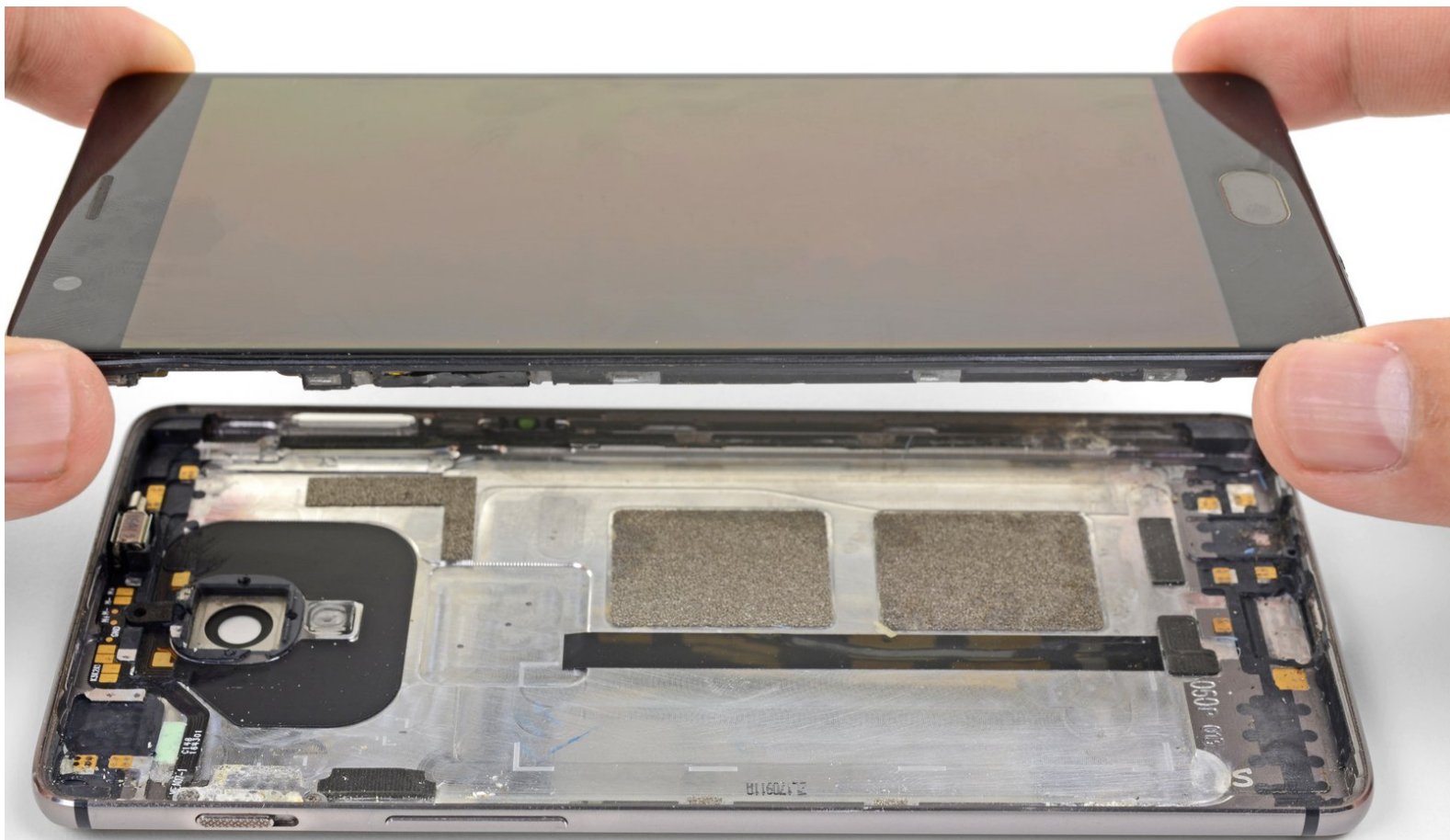# OnePlus 3 Back Cover Replacement

Follow this guide to remove the back cover of the OnePlus 3.

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INTRODUCTION
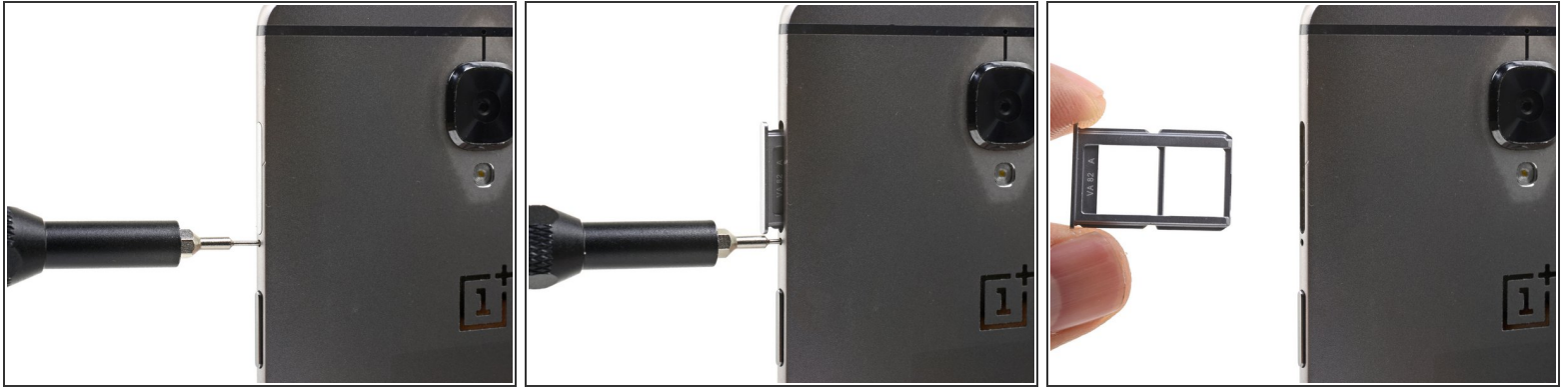
Follow this guide to remove the back cover of the OnePlus 3. The hardest part is getting the frame clips free.

🔧 TOOLS:

- SIM Card Eject Tool (1)
- T2 Torx Screwdriver (1)
- Suction Handle (1)
- iFixit Opening Tools (1)

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Step 1 — SIM Card Tray

- Insert a SIM eject tool, bit, or straightened paperclip into the hole located between the SIM card slot and the power button.

- Press firmly to eject the SIM card tray.

- During reinstallation, make sure that the SIM card tray is properly oriented. It fits in only one direction.

Step 2 — Back Cover

- Remove the two 2.6 mm T2 screws from the bottom edge of the phone.

Step 3

⚠️ **There is a high risk of damaging the display panel if this opening procedure is improperly followed.**

ⓘ The following three steps show how to pry the rear case from the plastic frame. Read through the steps first before attempting the procedure.

⚠️ There are two different seams between the screen and the body of the phone:

- *Display panel seam*: This seam is part of the display assembly. **Do not pry** at this seam, or you will separate and damage the display panel.

- *Frame seam*: This is where the plastic frame meets the back cover. It is recessed into the back cover. **Only pry at this seam.**

- There are fourteen clips that hold the frame against the rear case. Be aware of their location as you pry the back cover off in the following steps.

Step 4

ⓘ As you work, try not to accidentally power on the phone. If you do, turn the phone off before resuming disassembly.

- Place a suction cup near the bottom edge of the display.

- Pull on the suction cup with strong steady force.

- Press the edge of an opening tool straight into the frame seam near the suction cup until the edge wedges between the plastic frame and the back cover's lip.

  ⓘ Due to tight tolerances, this will take substantial force. Using a new opening tool with an unmarred edge will help with this step.

⚠ Do not use metal tools, as they will most likely crack the screen.

Step 5

- Once the opening tool's edge is wedged in position, carefully slide the tool along the bottom edge of the phone.

- Carefully guide the opening tool around the left corner of the phone while keeping the tool's edge within the seam.

Step 6

- Continue sliding the opening tool along the long edge, releasing the clips along the way.

- ⓘ The last clip in the top-left corner near the alert switch is recessed and can be difficult to release. Take your time and use the flat end of a spudger or an opening pick to help.

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Step 7

- With the bottom and left edge of the phone freed, gently wiggle the frame to release the top and right edge clips.

- Lift the screen up and remove it.

- ★ During reassembly, pause here to test your phone's functionality before securing the back cover.

- ★ To reinstall the back cover:
  - [Align the top edge of the frame](#) to the back cover and ensure that the top clips slip into place.
  - [Squeeze along the long edges of the phone](#) to snap the remaining clips into place.

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

Take your e-waste to an [R2 or e-Stewards certified recycler](#).

Repair didn't go as planned? Check out our [OnePlus 3 Answers community](#) for troubleshooting help.

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