



User Guide

SUMMARY

This guide provides basic information for using and upgrading this product, including topics such as components, features, networks, and HP resources.

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1 About this guide


This guide provides basic information for using and upgrading this product.

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-  **WARNING!** Indicates a hazardous situation that, if not avoided, **could** result in serious injury or death.
 -  **CAUTION:** Indicates a hazardous situation that, if not avoided, **could** result in minor or moderate injury.
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 -  **NOTE:** Contains additional information to emphasize or supplement important points of the main text.
 -  **TIP:** Provides helpful hints for completing a task.
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2 Getting started

This computer is a powerful tool designed to enhance your work and entertainment. Read this chapter to learn about best practices after you set up your computer and where to find additional HP resources.

After you set up and register the computer, HP recommends the following steps to get the most out of your smart investment:

 **TIP:** To quickly return to the computer Start screen from an open app or the Windows® desktop, press the Windows key on your keyboard. Pressing the Windows key again returns you to the previous screen.

- **Connect to the internet**—Set up your wired or wireless network so that you can connect to the internet. For more information, see [Network connections on page 23](#).
- **Update your antivirus software**—Protect your computer from damage caused by viruses. The software is preinstalled on the computer. For more information, see [Using antivirus software on page 59](#).
- **Get to know your computer**—Learn about your computer features. See [Components on page 5](#) and [Navigating the screen on page 30](#) for additional information.

- **Find installed software**—Access a list of the software preinstalled on the computer:

Select the **Start** button, and then select **All apps**.

– or –

Right-click the **Start** button, and then select **Apps and Features**.

- **Back up your hard drive**—Create recovery discs or a recovery USB flash drive to back up your hard drive. See [Backing up, restoring, and recovering on page 67](#).
- **Access HP Support Assistant app**—For quick online support, open the HP Support Assistant app (select products only). HP Support Assistant optimizes computer performance and resolves problems using the latest software updates, diagnostic tools, and guided assistance. Select the **Search** icon in the taskbar, type `support` in the search box, and then select **HP Support Assistant**.

Finding information

To locate resources that provide product details, how-to information, and more, use this table.

Table 2-1 Additional information

Resource	Contents
<i>Setup Instructions</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Overview of computer setup and features

Table 2-1 Additional information (continued)

Resource	Contents
<p><i>HP support</i></p> <p>For HP support, go to https://www.hp.com/support, and follow the instructions to find your product.</p> <p>– or –</p> <p>Select the Search icon in the taskbar, type <i>support</i> in the search box, and then select HP Support Assistant.</p> <p>– or –</p> <p>Select the question mark icon (select products only) in the taskbar.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online chat with an HP technician • Support telephone numbers • Replacement parts videos (select products only) • Maintenance and service guides • HP service center locations
<p><i>Safety & Comfort Guide</i></p> <p>To access this guide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Select the Search icon in the taskbar, type <i>HP Documentation</i> in the search box, and then select HP Documentation. <p>– or –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Go to http://www.hp.com/ergo. <p>IMPORTANT: You must be connected to the internet to access the latest version of the user guide.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proper workstation setup • Guidelines for posture and work habits that increase your comfort and decrease your risk of injury • Electrical and mechanical safety information
<p><i>Regulatory, Safety, and Environmental Notices</i></p> <p>To access this document:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Select the Search icon in the taskbar, type <i>HP Documentation</i> in the search box, and then select HP Documentation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Important regulatory notices, including information about Restrictions of Hazardous Substances (RoHS) and proper battery disposal, if needed.
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the box. For countries or regions where the warranty is not provided in printed format, you can request a copy from <http://www.hp.com/go/orderdocuments>. For products purchased in Asia Pacific, you can write to HP at POD, PO Box 161, Kitchener Road Post Office, Singapore 912006. Include your product name, and your name, phone number, and postal address.

3 Components

Your computer features top-rated components. This chapter provides details about your components, where they are located, and how they work.

Locating hardware

Use these instructions to find out what hardware is installed on your computer.

- Select the **Search** icon in the taskbar, type `device manager` in the search box, and then select the **Device Manager** app.

A list displays all the devices installed on your computer.

For information about system hardware components and the system BIOS version number, press `fn+esc` (select products only).

Locating software

Use these instructions to find out what software is installed on your computer:

- Right-click the **Start** button, and then select **Apps and Features**.

Right

Use the illustration and table to identify the components on the right side of the computer.

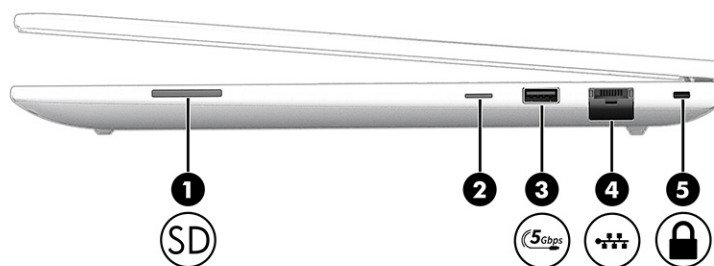






Table 3-1 Right-side components and their descriptions

Component	Description
(1)  Memory card reader	<p>Reads optional memory cards that store, manage, share, or access information.</p> <p>To insert a card:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Hold the card label-side up, with the connectors facing the computer.2. Insert the card into the memory card reader, and then press in on the card until it is firmly seated. <p>To remove a card:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Press in on the card, and then remove it from the memory card reader.
(2) Nano SIM slot (select products only)	<p>Allows use of an optional nano SIM card.</p> <p>For more information, see Inserting a microSD card or nano SIM card on page 21.</p>
(3)  USB 5 Gbps port	<p>Connects a USB device, provides high-speed data transfer, and (for select products) charges small devices (such as a smartphone) when the computer is on or in Sleep mode.</p> <p>NOTE: Use a standard USB Type-A charging cable or cable adapter (purchased separately) when charging a small external device.</p>
(4)  RJ-45 (network) jack/status lights	<p>Connects a network cable.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Green (left): The network is connected.• Amber (right): Activity is occurring on the network.
(5)  Security cable slot	<p>Attaches an optional security cable to the computer.</p> <p>NOTE: The security cable is designed to act as a deterrent, but it might not prevent the computer from being mishandled or stolen.</p>

Left

Use the illustration and table to identify the components on the left side of the computer.

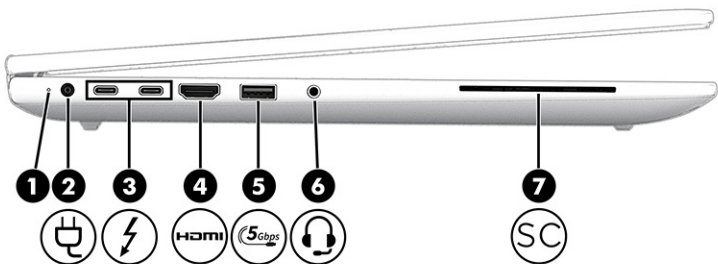


Table 3-2 Left-side components and their descriptions







Component	Description
(1) Battery light	<p>When AC power is connected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • White: The battery charge is greater than 90 percent. • Amber: The battery charge is from 0 to 90 percent. • Off: The battery is not charging. <p>When AC power is disconnected (battery not charging):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blinking amber: The battery has reached a low battery level. When the battery has reached a critical battery level, the battery light begins blinking rapidly. • Off: The battery is not charging.
(2)  Power connector	Connects an AC adapter.
(3)  USB Type-C® power connector and Thunderbolt™ ports with HP Sleep and Charge and DisplayPort™ output (2)	<p>Connects an AC adapter that has a USB Type-C connector, supplying power to the computer and, if needed, charging the computer battery.</p> <p>– and –</p> <p>Connects a USB device, provides high-speed data transfer, and charges small devices (such as a smartphone), even when the computer is off.</p> <p>NOTE: Use a standard USB Type-C charging cable or cable adapter (purchased separately) when charging a small external device.</p> <p>– and –</p> <p>Connects a display device that has a USB Type-C connector, providing DisplayPort output.</p> <p>NOTE: Your computer might also support a Thunderbolt docking station.</p>
(4)  HDMI port	Connects an optional video or audio device, such as a high-definition television, any compatible digital or audio component, or a high-speed High Definition Multimedia Interface (HDMI) device.
(5)  USB 5 Gbps port	<p>Connects a USB device, provides high-speed data transfer, and (for select products) charges small devices (such as a smartphone) when the computer is on or in Sleep mode.</p> <p>NOTE: Use a standard USB Type-A charging cable or cable adapter (purchased separately) when charging a small external device.</p>

Table 3-2 Left-side components and their descriptions (continued)


Component		Description
(6)	 Audio-out (headphone)/Audio-in (microphone) combo jack	<p>Connects optional powered stereo speakers, headphones, earbuds, a headset, or a television audio cable. Also connects an optional headset microphone. This jack does not support optional standalone microphones.</p> <p>WARNING! To reduce the risk of personal injury, adjust the volume before putting on headphones, earbuds, or a headset. For additional safety information, see the <i>Regulatory, Safety, and Environmental Notices</i>.</p> <p>To access this guide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Select the Search icon in the taskbar, type HP Documentation in the search box, and then select HP Documentation. <p>NOTE: When a device is connected to the jack, the computer speakers are disabled.</p>
(7)	 Smart card reader	Supports optional smart cards.

Display

Use the illustration and table to identify the display components.

Low blue light mode (select products only)

Your computer display is shipped from the factory in low blue light mode for improved eye comfort and safety. Also, blue light mode automatically adjusts blue light emissions when you are using the computer at night or for reading.

 **WARNING!** To reduce the risk of serious injury, read the *Safety & Comfort Guide*. It describes proper workstation setup and proper posture, health, and work habits for computer users. The *Safety & Comfort Guide* also provides important electrical and mechanical safety information. The *Safety & Comfort Guide* is available on the web at <http://www.hp.com/ergo>.

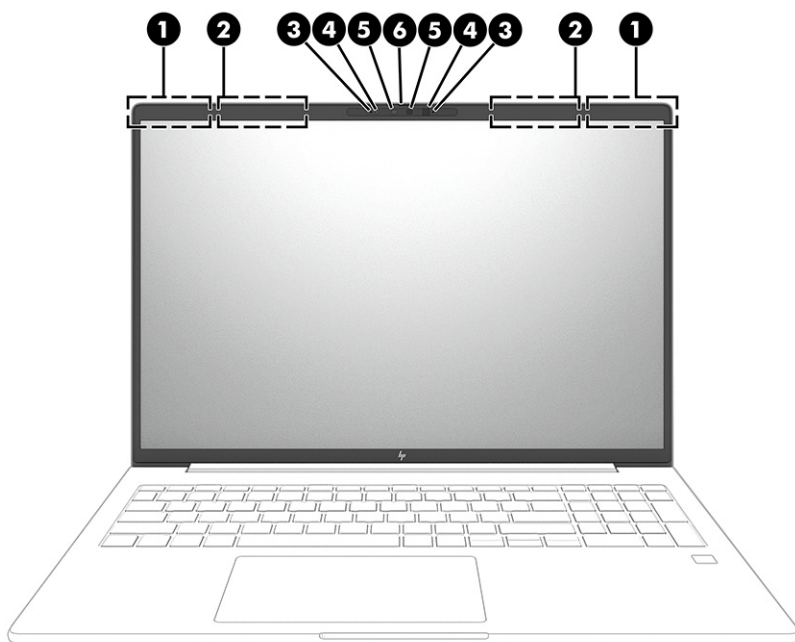


Table 3-3 Display components and their descriptions

Component		Description
(1)	WLAN antennas*	Send and receive wireless signals to communicate with wireless local area networks (WLANs).
(2)	WWAN antennas*	Send and receive wireless signals to communicate with wireless wide area networks (WWANs).
(3)	Internal microphones (2)	Record sound.
(4)	Camera lights (2)	On: One or more cameras are in use.
(5)	Cameras (2)	<p>Allow you to video chat, record video, and record still images. To use your camera, see Using a camera (select products only) on page 35. Some cameras also allow a facial recognition logon to Windows, instead of a password logon. For more information, see Windows Hello (select products only) on page 59.</p> <p>NOTE: Camera functions vary depending on the camera hardware and software installed on your product.</p>
(6)	Camera privacy cover (select products only)	<p>By default, the camera lens is uncovered, but you can slide the camera privacy cover to block the camera's view. To use the camera, slide the camera privacy cover in the opposite direction to reveal the lens.</p> <p>NOTE: If you have both front-facing and rear-facing cameras, when one camera lens is revealed and ready to use, the other is concealed.</p>

*The antennas are not visible from the outside of the computer. For optimal transmission, keep the areas immediately around the antennas free from obstructions.

For wireless regulatory notices, see the section of the *Regulatory, Safety, and Environmental Notices* that applies to your country or region.

To access this guide:

- Select the **Search** icon in the taskbar, type `HP Documentation` in the search box, and then select **HP Documentation**.

Keyboard area

Keyboards can vary by language.



NOTE: The keyboard, including the function keys and power key (select products only), is disabled in stand, tent, and tablet modes. To enable the keyboard, including the power key, change to the clamshell mode.

Touchpad

The touchpad settings and components are described here.

Touchpad settings

You learn how to adjust the touchpad settings and components here.

Adjusting touchpad settings

Use these steps to adjust touchpad settings and gestures.

1. Select the **Search** icon in the taskbar, type `touchpad settings` in the search box, and then press `enter`.
2. Choose a setting.

Turning on the touchpad

Follow these steps to turn on the touchpad.

1. Select the **Search** icon in the taskbar, type `touchpad settings` in the search box, and then press `enter`.
2. Using an external mouse, click the **Touchpad** button.

If you are not using an external mouse, press the `Tab` key repeatedly until the pointer rests on the **touchpad** button. Then press the `spacebar` to select the button.

Touchpad components

Use the illustration and table to identify the touchpad components.

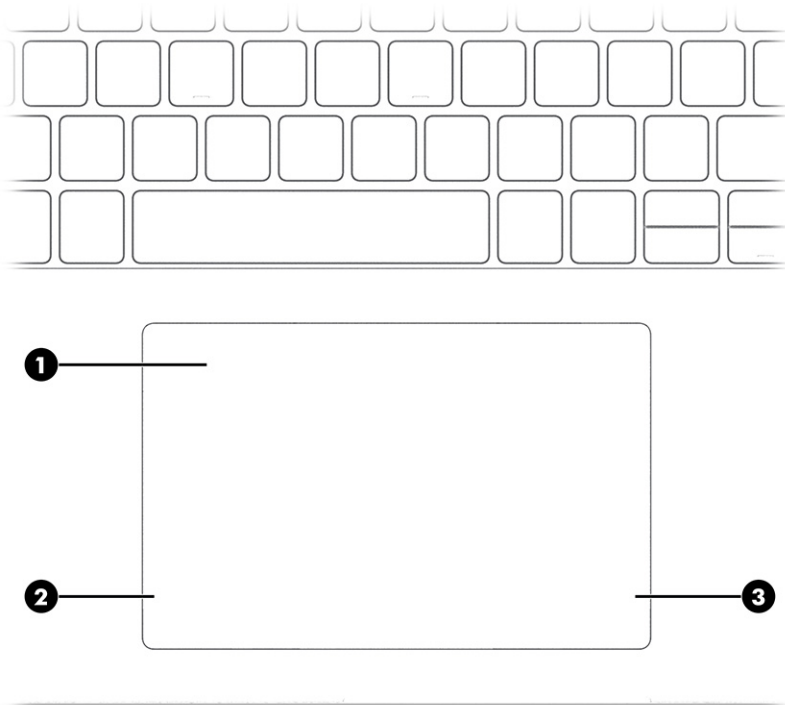


Table 3-4 Touchpad components and their descriptions

Component		Description
(1)	Touchpad zone	Reads your finger gestures to move the pointer or activate items on the screen. NOTE: For more information, see Using touchpad and touch screen gestures on page 30 .
(2)	Left touchpad button	Functions like the left button on an external mouse.
(3)	Right touchpad button	Functions like the right button on an external mouse.

Lights

Use the illustration and table to identify the lights on the computer.

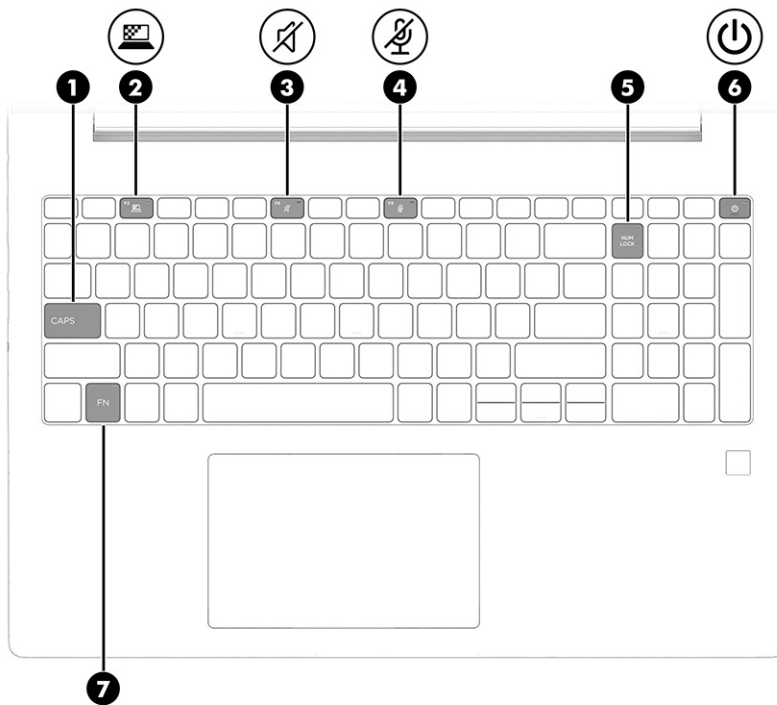






Table 3-5 Lights and their descriptions

Component		Description
(1)	Caps lock light	On: Caps lock is on, which switches the key input to all capital letters.
(2)	 Privacy key light	On: Privacy screen is on, which helps prevent side-angle viewing.
(3)	 Mute light	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On: Computer sound is off. Off: Computer sound is on.
(4)	 Microphone mute light	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On: Microphone is off. Off: Microphone is on.
(5)	Num lk light	On: Num lk is on.
(6)	 Power light	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On: The computer is on. Blinking (select products only): The computer is in the Sleep state, a power-saving state. The computer shuts off power to the display and other unnecessary components. Off: Depending on your computer model, the computer is off, in Hibernation, or in Sleep. Hibernation is the power-saving state that uses the least amount of power.
(7)	Fn lock light	On: The fn key is locked. For more information, see Hot keys (select products only) on page 17.