

Aspire 7740 Series

Quick Guide

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Model number: _____

Serial number: _____

Date of purchase: _____

Place of purchase: _____

First things first

We would like to thank you for making an Acer notebook your choice for meeting your mobile computing needs.

Your guides

To help you use your Acer notebook, we have designed a set of guides:

First off, the **Just for Starters...** poster helps you get started with setting up your computer.

The **Aspire Series Generic User Guide** contains useful information applying to all models in the Aspire product series. It covers basic topics such as using the keyboard and audio, etc. Please understand that due to its nature, the **Generic User Guide** as well as the **AcerSystem User Guide** mentioned below will occasionally refer to functions or features which are only contained in certain models of the series, but not necessarily in the model you purchased. Such instances are marked in the text with language such as "only for certain models".

The **Quick Guide** introduces you to the basic features and functions of your new computer. For more on how your computer can help you to be more productive, please refer to the **AcerSystem User Guide**. This guide contains detailed information on such subjects as system utilities, data recovery, expansion options and troubleshooting. In addition it contains warranty information and the general regulations and safety notices for your notebook. It is available in Portable Document Format (PDF) and comes preloaded on your notebook. Follow these steps to access it:

- 1 Click on  **Start > All Programs > AcerSystem.**
- 2 Click on **AcerSystem User Guide.**



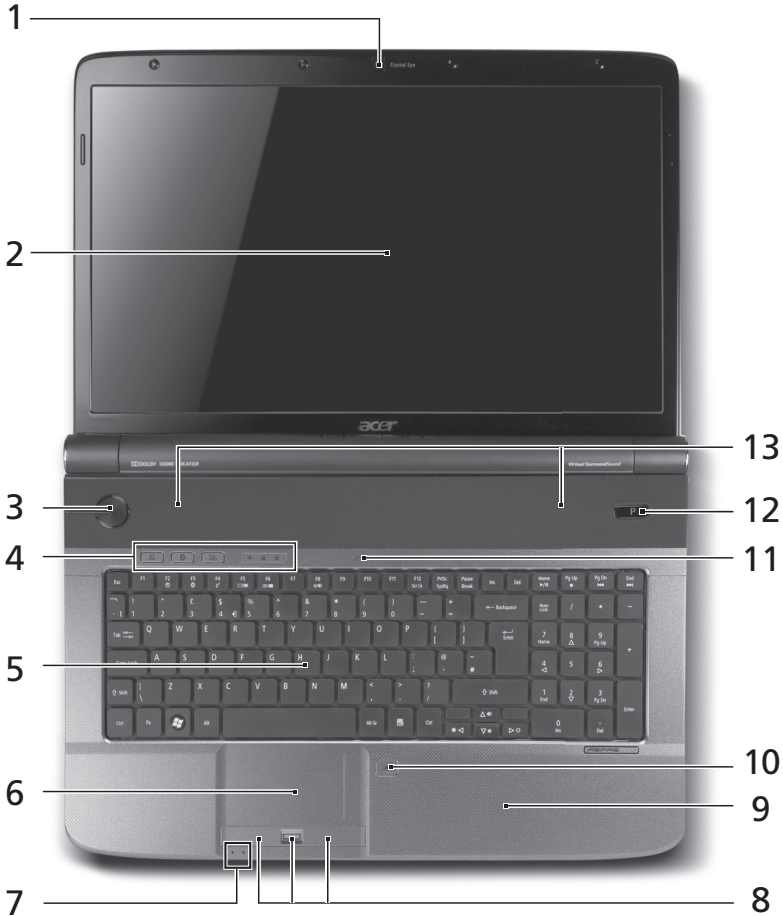
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Your Acer notebook tour


After setting up your computer as illustrated in the **Just for Starters...** poster, let us show you around your new Acer notebook.

Top view



#	Icon	Item	Description
1		Acer Crystal Eye webcam	Web camera for video communication. (only for certain models)











#	Icon	Item	Description
2		Display screen	Also called Liquid-Crystal Display (LCD), displays computer output (configuration may vary by model).
3		Power button	Turns the computer on and off.
4		Wireless LAN communication button/indicator	Enables/disables the wireless LAN function. Indicates the status of wireless LAN communication.
		Bluetooth communication button/indicator	Enables/disables the Bluetooth function. Indicates the status of Bluetooth communication (only for certain models).
		Backup key	Launches Acer Backup Management for three-step data backup.
		HDD	Indicates when the hard disk drive is active.
		Num Lock	Lights up when Num Lock is activated.
		Caps Lock	Lights up when Caps Lock is activated.
5		Keyboard	For entering data into your computer.
6		Touchpad	Touch-sensitive pointing device which functions like a computer mouse.
7		Power ¹	Indicates the computer's power status.
		Battery ¹	Indicates the computer's battery status. 1. Charging: The light shows amber when the battery is charging. 2. Fully charged: The light shows blue when in AC mode.
8		Click buttons (left, center* and right)	The left and right buttons function like the left and right mouse buttons. *The center button serves as Acer Bio-Protection fingerprint reader supporting Acer FingerNav 4-way control function (only for certain models).
9		Palmrest	Comfortable support area for your hands when you use the computer.
10		Touchpad toggle	Turns the internal touchpad on and off.
11		Microphone	Internal microphone for recording sound.

#	Icon	Item	Description
12		Programmable key	User-programmable.
13		Speakers	Left and right speakers deliver stereo audio output.

Hotkeys


The computer employs hotkeys or key combinations to access most of the computer's controls like screen brightness and volume output.

To activate hotkeys, press and hold the **<Fn>** key before pressing the other key in the hotkey combination.

Hotkey	Icon	Function	Description
<Fn> + <F2>		System Properties	Starts System Properties for displaying system information.
<Fn> + <F3>		Bluetooth	Enables/disables the Bluetooth function (only for certain models).
<Fn> + <F4>		Sleep	Puts the computer in Sleep mode.
<Fn> + <F5>		Display toggle	Switches display output between the display screen, external monitor (if connected) and both.
<Fn> + <F6>		Screen blank	Turns the display screen backlight off to save power. Press any key to return.
<Fn> + <F8>		Speaker toggle	Turns the speakers on and off.
<Fn> + <↑>		Brightness up	Increases the screen brightness.
<Fn> + <↓>		Brightness down	Decreases the screen brightness.
<Fn> + <△>		Volume up	Increases the sound volume.
<Fn> + <▽>		Volume down	Decreases the sound volume.

Closed front view



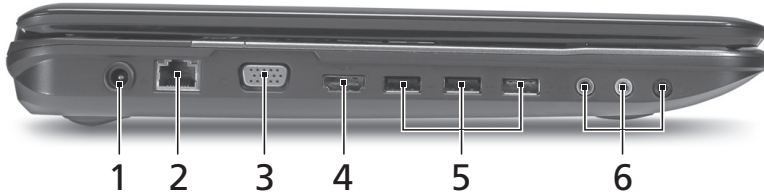
#	Icon	Item	Description
1		Multi-in-1 card reader	Accepts Secure Digital (SD), MultiMediaCard (MMC), Memory Stick (MS), Memory Stick PRO (MS PRO), xD-Picture Card (xD). Note: Push to remove/install the card. Only one card can operate at any given time.








Rear view



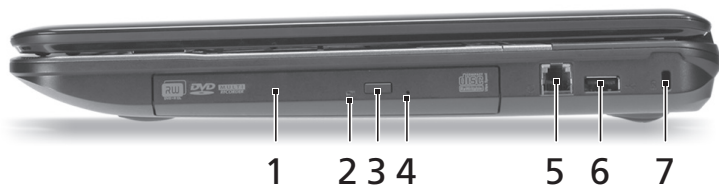
#	Item	Description
1	Ventilation slots	Enable the computer to stay cool, even after prolonged use.




Left view



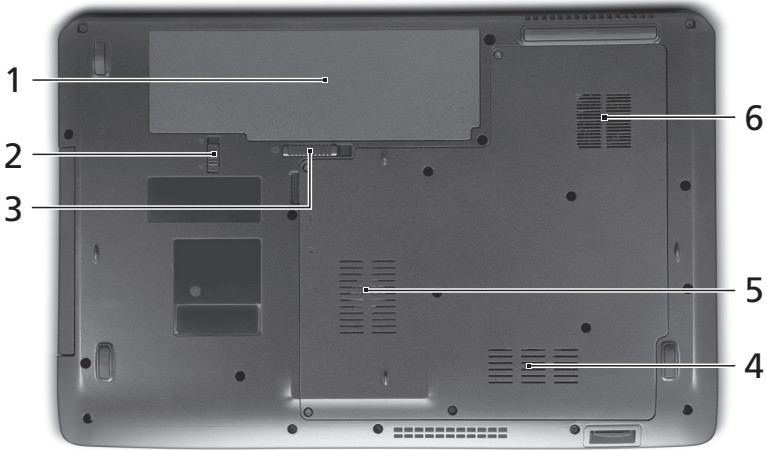
#	Icon	Item	Description
1		DC-in jack	Connects to an AC adapter.
2		Ethernet (RJ-45) port	Connects to an Ethernet 10/100/1000-based network.
3		External display (VGA) port	Connects to a display device (e.g., external monitor, LCD projector).
4	HDMI	HDMI port	Supports high definition digital video connections.
5		USB 2.0 port	Connect to USB 2.0 devices (e.g., USB mouse, USB camera).
6		Line-in jack	Accepts audio line-in devices (e.g., audio CD player, stereo walkman, mp3 player)
		Microphone jack	Accepts inputs from external microphones.
		Headphones/speaker/line-out jack with SPDIF support	Connects to audio line-out devices (e.g., speakers, headphones).






Right view



#	Icon	Item	Description
1		Optical drive	Internal optical drive; accepts CDs or DVDs.
2		Optical disk access indicator	Lights up when the optical drive is active.
3		Optical drive eject button	Ejects the optical disk from the drive.
4		Emergency eject hole	Ejects the optical drive tray when the computer is turned off. Note: Insert a paper clip to the emergency eject hole to eject the optical drive tray when the computer is off.
5		Modem (RJ-11) port	Connects to a phone line.
6		USB 2.0 port	Connect to USB 2.0 devices (e.g., USB mouse, USB camera).
7		Kensington lock slot	Connects to a Kensington-compatible computer security lock.

Base view



#	Icon	Item	Description
1		Battery bay	Houses the computer's battery pack.
2		Battery lock	Locks the battery in position.
3		Battery release latch	Releases the battery for removal.
4		Memory compartment	Houses the computer's main memory.
5		Hard disk bay	Houses the computer's hard disk (secured with screws).
6		Ventilation slots and cooling fan	Enable the computer to stay cool, even after prolonged use. Note: Do not cover or obstruct the opening of the fan.

Specifications

Operating system	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Genuine Windows 7®
CPU/chipset	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intel® Core™ i7* • Intel® Core™ i5* • Intel® Core™ i3* • Intel® HM55 Express Chipset
System memory	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dual-channel support • Up to 4 GB of DDR3 1066 MHz memory, upgradeable to 8 GB using two soDIMM modules
Display	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 16:9 aspect ratio • 17.3" HD+ 1600 x 900
Graphics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ATI Mobility Radeon™ HD 5650* • ATI Mobility Radeon™ HD 5470* • Integrated Intel® GMA HD graphics
Audio	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dolby®-optimized surround sound system with two built-in stereo speakers • True5.1-channel surround sound output • High-definition audio support • S/PDIF (Sony/Philips Digital Interface) support for digital speakers • MS-Sound compatible • Built-in microphone
Storage subsystem	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2.5" hard disk drive • Optical drive options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blu-ray Disc™/DVD-Super Multi double-layer drive* • DVD-Super Multi double-layer drive* • Multi-in-1 card reader
Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integrated Acer Crystal Eye webcam* • WLAN: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intel® Centrino® Advanced-N 6200 802.11a/g/n* • Intel® Centrino® Wireless-N 1000 802.11b/g/n* • Acer InViLink™ Nplify™ 802.11b/g/n* • Acer InViLink™ 802.11b/g* • WPAN: Bluetooth® 2.1+Enhanced Data Rate (EDR) • LAN: Gigabit Ethernet; Wake-on-LAN ready • Modem: 56K ITU V.92; Wake-on-Ring ready
Privacy control	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BIOS user, supervisor, HDD passwords • Kensington lock slot

Dimensions and weight	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 411 (W) x 274 (D) x 40/45.0 (H) mm (16.18 x 10.78 x 1.58/1.77 inches) • 3.2 kg (7.05 lbs.) with 6-cell battery pack* • 3.26 kg (7.19 lbs.) with 8-cell battery pack*
Power subsystem	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACPI 3.0 • 71 W 4800 mAh* • 48.8 W 4400 mAh* • 3-pin 90 W AC adapter* • 3-pin 65 W AC adapter* • ENERGY STAR®*
Special keys and controls	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 103-/104-/107-key keyboard • Touchpad pointing device
I/O interface	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multi-in-1 card reader (SD/MMC/MS/MS PRO/xD) • USB 2.0 port • HDMI™ port with HDCP support • External display (VGA) port • Headphones/speaker/line-out jack with S/PDIF support • Microphone-in jack • Line-in jack • Ethernet (RJ-45) port • Modem (RJ-11) port • DC-in jack for AC adapter
Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Temperature: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operating: 5 °C to 35 °C • Non-operating: -20 °C to 65 °C • Humidity (non-condensing): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operating: 20% to 80% • Non-operating: 20% to 80%



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Note: * Only for certain models



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Note: The specifications listed above are for reference only. The exact configuration of your PC depends on the model purchased.

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