Removing the Old Drive

Once you've removed TiVo's cover, exposing its internal organs, identify the parts inside. You need to detach everything from the old hard drive so you can replace it with the new one.

1. Locate and identify TiVo's hard drive and cables.

Your TiVo will look somewhat like the one in Figure 12-3. Take some time to locate its hard drive, drive bay or bracket, IDE cable, power cable, and anything else listed in your kit's instructions.

The IDE cable is flat and wide, often with a black or blue connector. The power cable consists of four cables that attach to the hard drive with a white connector.

TiVo's hard drive — the silver rectangular thing — is screwed into its drive bay or bracket.



Figure 12-3:
Examine
TiVo to
locate its
hard drive,
drive bay,
IDE cable,
power
cable, and
anything
else listed in
your kit's
instructions.

Screws holding drive to bracket