acidic drinks guide....

If you drink acidic drinks frequently, you are at risk of eroding the enamel on your teeth and causing dental decay. To minimise any possible damage limit your intake of acidic drinks. pH 7 is neutral. Any figure lower than this is acidic. The lower the number the more acidic, and therefore, damaging the drink may be.

- ✓ Try to drink mainly still water if possible.
- ✓ Dilute fresh fruit juices/diluting juices as much as possible.
- ✓ Try and limit fizzy juices/herbal teas and other drinks below pH 3.9 to one glass/can per day if possible.
- ✓ Do not clean your teeth straight after drinking acidic drinks (Preferably wait 1/2 an hour).
- ✓ There is some evidence to suggest that chewing sugar free gum helps your mouth neutralise acids quicker and may, therefore, minimise any damage done.

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carbonated drinks (Sugar and Sugar free)	
Lemonade/orangeade/Cola etc	2.7 - 3.2
diluting juices	
Sugar free whole orange drink	3.1 -3.7
fruit drinks	
Apple/Orange/Pineapple etc Pure fruit juice for babies	3.2 -3.7 3.2
herbal teas	
Apple and Pineapple	
Orchard, mixed fruit Rosehip and Hibiscus	3.0 -3.2
mineral water (pH dependent on source)	
Still	7.6
Sparkling	5.4
beverages	
Unsweetened Tea/coffee	5.9 - 6.3
Cow's milk	6.9
miscellaneous	
Lager/bitter	4.0
Shandy	3.2
Cider	3.2
Red wine	2.5
Sparkling Grape juice	3.2