

## **Nourishing Drinks**

Information for patients, relatives and carers

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## Introduction

If your appetite is poor, try having nourishing drinks between meals. This is an easy way to make sure you are having enough nutrition. Complan, Meritene or own brand (sweet and savoury products) are available from chemists or supermarkets. Alternatively here are a few examples to make your own.

## Easy nourishing drinks

### **Fortified milk**

Add four tablespoons (60g) of skimmed milk powder to one pint of full cream milk.

	Calories	Protein
60g Skimmed milk powder	212 kcal	22g protein
one pint whole milk	364 kcal	18g protein
one pint fortified milk	576 kcal	40g protein
200ml fortified milk	202 kcal	14g protein

Use fortified milk instead of water when making coffee, hot chocolate or bedtime drinks.

Have full sugar squash, fresh fruit juice, Lucozade, full sugar tonic or lemonade with lime or blackcurrant juice.

## Milk style drinks

#### Luxury chocolate cup

Dissolve four squares (30g) of chocolate in 200ml fortified full cream milk Add sugar/honey to taste

Approx. 480kcal and 26g protein

#### Mocha warmer

200ml fortified milk One tablespoon of drinking chocolate One teaspoon of instant coffee Sugar/honey to taste You can also add a tablespoon of double cream

Approx. 210kcal 14g protein

#### **Chocolate Smoothie**

200ml fortified milk Two scoops of chocolate ice cream and One tablespoon of hot chocolate powder / cocoa

Approx. 460kcal and 21g protein

#### Nice 'n' Nutty

Whisk together: 200ml fortified milk Two tablespoons double cream Two tablespoons condensed milk Two tablespoons hazeInut chocolate spread One tablespoon dried milk powder

Approx. 580kcal and 15g protein

#### **Cookies and Cream**

Blend together: 100ml whole milk One scoop vanilla ice cream Two tablespoons double cream One tablespoon skimmed milk powder Two Oreo biscuits Approx. 440kcal and 11.5 gprotein

#### **Iced Peanut Butter Coffee**

One teaspoon coffee granules 25ml hot water 200ml fortified milk 50g peanut butter Six ice cubes Dissolve coffee and hot water Blend ingredients together and serve

Approx. 489kcal and 21g protein

## Juice style drinks

#### **Berry Delight**

No blender required, simply combine: Two 50g pots fromage frais yoghurt 100ml cranberry juice Five tablespoons double cream One tablespoon strawberry milkshake powder

Approx. 550kcal and 13g protein

#### **Fruity float**

125ml fruit juice 125ml regular lemonade One teaspoon sugar One scoop of ice cream

Approx. 195kcal and 3g protein

#### **Ginger lime**

250ml of ginger beer Two tablespoons of lime cordial One pot of natural yoghurt

Approx. 150kcal and 7g protein

#### Fruit blast

100ml fresh fruit juice 100ml lemonade One scoop ice cream One tablespoon double cream One tablespoon sugar

Approx. 335kcal and 2g protein

#### Fruit juice delight

125g pot full fat yoghurt 200ml fresh fruit juice One tablespoon double cream

Approx. 270kcal and 7g protein

#### **Eton Mess**

Blend together: Two meringue nests (approx. 30g) 150ml soya milk Two and a half tablespoons strawberry milkshake powder Two and a half tablespoons strawberry jam One and a half tablespoons icing sugar

Approx. 520kcal and 6g protein

## Plant based nourishing drinks

#### **Very Vanilla**

One medium banana 50g cashew nuts 330ml vanilla soya milk 20g pea protein

Approx. 300kcal and 18g protein per 250ml

#### Choco nut

One medium banana 300mk soya milk 50g peanut butter 50g syrup 10g cocoa powder 20g pea protein

Approx. 380kcal and 19g protein per 250ml

#### **Strawberry Ice**

One medium banana 80g frozen strawberries 200g soya ice cream 50g coconut cream 250ml coconut milk 20g pea protein

Approx. 300kcal and 9g protein per 250ml

## **Other drinks**

#### **Cinnamon Spice**

A third of a pint full cream milk One tablespoon of golden syrup Pinch cinnamon Pinch mixed spice Heat milk, add syrup, cinnamon and mixed spice and serve warm

Approx. 170kcal and 7g protein

#### Frozen Coconut Limeade – serve ice cold

Blend ingredients together: 200ml coconut milk 50ml double cream 30ml lime juice/ juice of two limes One tablespoon sugar 10 ice cubes

Approx. 466kcal and 1g protein

## Soups

#### Chicken soup

Dissolve half a chicken stock cube in 200ml hot fortified whole milk

Approx. 210kcal and 15g protein

#### Beef soup

Dissolve one teaspoon of Marmite or Bovril in hot fortified milk

Approx. 210kcal and 16g protein

#### **Fortified soup**

Add natural Complan, Meritene, or own brand equivalent drinks, or dried milk powder to canned or packet soup. Crème fraiche, Greek yoghurt, cream, grated cheese or parmesan cheese also add flavour and nourishment.

Adding 28g (four scoops) Complan or Meritene will add approximately 125kcal and 4g protein to your soup.

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