

Figure S1: Comparing the normalised duration of short and long flights.
A: Distance from nest plotted against flight duration for an individual's long LN1. B: Same flight with distance from nest plotted against normalised flight duration. $C$ and $D$. Similar plots to $A$ and $B$ for an individual's shorter LF1.


Figure S2: Data of Figure 4 shown with smaller bin size.
Frequency of fixations relative to nest and flower during LN1 and LF1, A: bins $\pm 20^{\circ}$, B: bins $\pm 10^{\circ}$. C: Frequency of fixations relative to nest and flower during RN1 and RF1, bins $\pm 10^{\circ}$. D: Bees' body orientation relative to the nest or flower during LN1 and LF1, bins $\pm 5^{\circ}$.


Figure S3: Properties of LF1 in control experiment with no cylinders and no ring at nest table and three cylinders and ring at flower table.

A: Bees' distance from flower plotted against normalised time. Median duration of LF1 $5.9 \mathrm{~s}, 5.46$ IQR, $\mathrm{n}=17$. B: Bees' positions relative to flower during LF1 in different radial sectors centred on the flower (cf. Figure 3D). Mean angular position of LF1 is $-36.12^{\circ}$ (vector amplitude ( $\rho$ ): 0.49). C: Frequency distribution of the bees' body orientation relative to the central line of the array (see inset) for the initial phase of LF1 (cf. Figure 3 E ). Bin width is $\pm 10^{\circ}$. D: As C for the later phase of LF1. E: Bees' body orientation relative to flower (cf. Figure 4A). F: Number of cylinder fixations towards real and virtual cylinders (cf Figure 5B).


Figure S4: Panorama within greenhouse viewed from nest and flower centred on the cylinder array.

A: nest B: flower. Viewpoint of camera was 14 cm above the tables. Pictures were taken with a Giroptic 360cam panoramic camera.

