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Raw data and results are available at Dryad (<https://doi.org/10.5061/dryad.xsj3tx9mj>). The *N. gracilis* genome assembly and gene models are available from the DNA Data Bank of Japan (DDBJ) with the accession numbers BSYO01000001 to BSYO01000176. The *N. gracilis* genome assemblies are also available on CoGe (<https://genomevolution.org/coge/>) (genome ID: male assembly, 61566; female Hi-C assembly, 61892; female syntenic path assembly, 61931) and Dryad (<https://doi.org/10.5061/dryad.xsj3tx9mj>). DNA and mRNA sequencing reads were deposited to DDBJ (PRJDB15224, PRJDB15738, PRJDB15742, and PRJDB15737) and EBI (PRJEB20488), and the accession numbers are shown in Supplementary Table 1 and Supplementary Table 4. In this study, data were sourced from the following publicly accessible databases: DDBJ (<https://www.ddbj.nig.ac.jp/index-e.html>), JASPAR (<https://jaspar.genereg.net/>), NCBI (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/>), OrthoDB (<https://www.orthodb.org/>), Pfam (<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/interpro/>), and UniProt (<https://www.uniprot.org/>).

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Sample size	Differential expression analysis of RNA-seq data was performed with triplicate samples (or more) to meet the accepted standards in the field (Conesa et al., 2016, https://doi.org/10.1186/s13059-016-0881-8).
Data exclusions	In the heterologous RNA-seq mapping analysis of flower samples, one sample (DRR461757) was excluded from the analysis due to its low mapping rate of 4.7% (see Supplementary Table 4).
Replication	A single RNA-seq experiment was performed for each analysis, and it included a minimum of three biological replicates.
Randomization	In the feeding experiments, individuals of <i>Nepenthes gracilis</i> were randomly assigned to either the control group or the feeding treatment group. In the flower RNA-seq experiments, no randomization was performed because we collected all available flowers that were spontaneously produced by cultivated plants.
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